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ROME, Aug. 13.—An encyclical letter has been issued by the Pope urging the faithful to offer prayers for the freedom of the Holy See and the freedom and tranquillity of the Church. The *Official Gazette* publishes a decree expropriating for public use two convents and three plots of ground in Rome, belonging to religious bodies. SIGNOR SELLA, Minister of Finance, is opposed to a fresh issue of rentes.

FRANCE.

M. Thiers and the Assembly—Sentence of Death of Deserters to the Communist Army.

PARIS, Aug. 13.—The Press generally contend that the vote in the Assembly yesterday, declaring the motions relating to M. THIERS' term of office "urgent," is a success for the adversaries of M. THIERS' power, as the Right was desirous of postponing the question indefinitely. A Court-martial at Rouen has passed sentence of death on two soldiers who deserted to the ranks of the Communists.

Seditious Action Taken by the Assembly—Freedom of Thiers' Office—His Duties and Position Determined—The Algerian Insurgents.

PARIS, Aug. 13.—In the Assembly, today, M. RIVET, of the Left Centre, moved that the title of President of the Republic be conferred on M. THIERS; that all the powers which he has heretofore exercised as Chief of the Executive be continued for the period of three years; that he be moreover intrusted with the promulgation and execution of the laws; that he be authorized to receive ambassadors; that his official residence be at the place where the Assembly may sit; that he be lodged at the expense of the Republic, his remuneration to be fixed at a later date; that he shall have the right to appoint members of the Council of Ministers, diplomatic agents and military and naval commanders; and that the Ministers appointed by him shall be responsible for their acts to the Assembly. M. ADNET, of the Extreme Right, made a counter-motion expressing confidence in M. THIERS and continuing his present powers. M. THIERS, who was present, asked for a vote of "urgency" on both proposals; and, amid great excitement, they were declared urgent.

The court-martial holds long and exciting sessions daily, and the trial of the leading Communists is progressing as rapidly as possible, where so large a number of witnesses has been summoned. The evidence given for the past five days has contained nothing new.

Fires set by the insurgents continue to rage in the forests of Algeria.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

Collision on a Spanish Railroad—Many Injured—Reported Death of the Grand Vizier Denied.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—Our correspondent at Madrid says it is reported SAGASTA is to remain at Porto Rico. The imprisoned General PIERRAD is returned a second time as Deputy from Barcelona. A train of cars at Madrid dashed into a standing train carrying SERRANO and other officers. SERRANO had his foot slightly hurt. Nobody was killed, but many were injured.

A dispatch from Constantinople contradicts the rumor of the death of the Grand Vizier, which prevailed last week.

OCEANICA.

Minister Stack Mania in New-Zealand—Indifference to the Queen's Birthday—Fifteen Chiefs on the Way to Europe.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—New-Zealand advices by the *Ajax* state that the general interest and excitement over the Thames gold fields continues unabated, greatly injuring other business. Speculation in mining shares has become a mania. The journals complain that at Napier, on the Queen's birthday, the Courts continued their sessions and the Provincial Councillors did not even lift their hats when the national anthem was being played. Three Fijian Chiefs bound for Europe, and the Episcopal Bishop of Dunedin bound for England, arrived by the *Ajax*. The steamer *Nevada* left Honolulu for Auckland, July 30.

SOUTH AMERICA.

The Emancipation Bill in the Brazilian Chamber—The San Paulo Railroad Superintendent.

LISBON, Aug. 13.—The steamer from Rio Janeiro arrived last night. In the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies the bill for the emancipation of slaves had passed its second reading. The Superintendent of the San Paulo Railway had been acquitted of the charges made against him.

Death of a Prominent Citizen of Maine.

PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 13.—Hon. WOODBURY DAVIS, of this city, died this evening, aged fifty-three. He was Postmaster of this city and had been Treasurer of the State for about ten years. He was Judge of the Supreme Judicial Court, which position he resigned in December, 1855, to resume the practice of his profession. He was early identified with the temperance, reform and anti-slavery movement, and was one of the founders of the Republican Party. He formerly contributed many articles upon political and legal subjects to the leading newspapers and magazines in the country. He attained a high reputation as a Judge, was an able lawyer, and was especially distinguished for purity of life and steadfast adherence to the principles he espoused. In his death the State has sustained a severe loss.

RELIGIOUS.

A Hebrew Pastor in Trouble—He Breaks a Fast by Eating Ice-Cream.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—Rev. ELKAN HERZMAN, pastor of the Fifth-avenue Synagogue, failing to comply with the regulations requiring all Israelites to fast strictly one day during the fast week, he having broken fast by eating ice-cream, the congregation are determined to remove him. This morning another rabbi occupied his desk, and an affray ensued, during which one of the leading officers of the church seized HERZMAN, divesting him of his sacerdotal robes, conducted him to the door, with instructions to leave, threatening to kick him out if he returned. HERZMAN complained at the Police Head-quarters, but was informed they could do nothing. He threatened to prosecute for one year's salary and assault.

The Madame, N. Y., Catholic Church Difficulty Terminates in the Triumph of the People.

HUDSON, N. Y., Aug. 13.—The Catholic rebellion in this city was ended and the siege of the Church raised this morning by the appearance of Rev. DANIEL J. BROWN, of Albany, Secretary to Bishop CONROY, who came, duly accredited by the Bishop, to take temporary charge of the Church until a permanent appointment can be made for the office. Last evening, in company with the Vigilance Committee, he proceeded to the residence of Father O'SULLIVAN and obtained the vestments and chalice, although the priest was absent from town, and this morning he was admitted to the Church, where mass was celebrated for the first time in eight weeks. The attendance was very large, including members of both parties, and every countenance betokened happiness and gratitude at the removal of the difficulty. The most devout demeanor was observed, and the services passed off as harmoniously as though there had never been any dissension in the Church. The new priest made no allusion to the recent difficulties, and created a most favorable impression upon all present. Father O'SULLIVAN is virtually suspended from the Church, and it is expected by next Sunday his permanent successor will be appointed, and enter upon his charge. The Protestants of the town, as well as the Catholics, feel relief at the peaceful termination of the recent imbroglio.

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis of Events and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14—1 A. M.—Since Saturday night the barometer has risen and again falls in the Gulf and Southern States. It has risen in the Middle and Eastern States and fallen slightly on the lakes, and more decidedly so north of Missouri. The temperature rose unusually high on Sunday afternoon from Iowa to Tennessee, but fell somewhat in New-England, where northerly winds are now replaced by south and east winds from Maine to Virginia. Easterly winds have continued north of the Ohio River. Rain has been reported from the Gulf and South Atlantic coast, and the extreme North-west. Clear weather now very generally prevails at all stations east of the Rocky Mountains.

PROBABILITIES.

The barometer will probably fall somewhat on Monday on the upper lakes, with cloudy weather and local storms. Clear and warm weather will probably prevail from Michigan to Arkansas and eastward to the Atlantic.

The Maine Central Railroad—Renovating the Bridges.

BANGOR, Me., Aug. 13.—A substantial temporary bridge was completed on Saturday morning in place of the one destroyed on Wednesday night on the Maine Central Railroad in this city, and the regular passage of trains to and from the depot is resumed. A first-class bridge will be erected as soon as the proper materials can be obtained. All the bridges on the road are being subjected to a most rigid examination, and will be immediately put into thorough repair where they are not so already. All the wounded by the recent accident are doing well.

The Kentucky Election—Returns from Eighty-Seven Counties.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 12.—The official returns from 84 counties give LESLIE, (Dem.) 110,445; HARLAN, (Rep.) 76,124; LESLIE'S majority in these counties, 36,319. The full returns from the State will probably make LESLIE'S majority in the neighborhood of 40,000.

In the counties given, LESLIE gains 5,291 on the vote of STEVENSON, (Dem.,) in the last Gubernatorial election, and HARLAN gains 30,317 on the vote of BAKER, (Rep.,) in the last Gubernatorial race. The Republican increase is attributed to the enfranchisement of the colored people.

THE NEW REPUBLIC.

Work of Communism—The Antecedents of the September Revolution—An Offer of Russian Intervention in Behalf of France.

Paris (July 29) Correspondence of the London Times.

Two Commissions instituted by the Assembly enjoy at this moment the privilege of drawing public attention to their labors. One, the Commission for revising the contracts made during the siege of Paris by the Government of the 4th of September, has already published one of its reports in the sitting of the 26th inst. It does not appear that the Republican Government was the least expensive, the most able, or even the most honest in the world. The other Commission whose investigations preoccupy public opinion is that which was formed for the purpose of inquiring into the facts which brought about the Revolution of the 4th of September. It is not that the Assembly wish to return to this Revolution, and to restore the Imperial dynasty; on the contrary, they let no opportunity escape of showing their antipathy for the latter; but they have not a much greater affection for the revolutionary spirit which overthrew the Empire, and they would not be sorry to demonstrate before the eyes of all its worthlessness. They will not have to make any very great efforts to attain this object, the men of the 4th of September having prepared the way for the success of this enterprise. Last Tuesday M. CLEMENT DUVERNOIS was heard before this Commission, and what has transpired of this sitting appears calculated to corroborate what has already been said by M. JULES SIMON and by Gen. PALIKAO respecting the attitude of Gen. TROCHU during the insurrectionary movement which followed the capitulation of Paris; at any rate, he maintains reserve. Interrogated upon the interview which the General had had with the Emperor at Chalons, when he was appointed Governor of Paris, the former Minister of Commerce answered that M. ROUHER alone had been present at the interview, and that they must address themselves to him. M. ROUHER, in fact, holds himself at the orders of the Commission, and it only depends upon them to interrogate him. I believe M. ROUHER is quite ready to answer them.

RUSSIAN INTERVENTION TENDERED.

But the serious part of the information furnished by M. CLEMENT DUVERNOIS turns upon another incident which has a totally different bearing. Already the report has been several times spread that when the first defeats struck the French army the Emperor of Russia offered the Government of the Tuileries his good offices to bring about peace without a diminution of territory; but that the revolution of the 4th of September having occurred, these favorable overtures could not be carried out. M. CLEMENT DUVERNOIS, invited to inform the Commission of what he knew positively on this subject, drew out of his pocket the copy of a dispatch from His Majesty the Czar, dated the day after Sedan, in which it was expressly stated that the Emperor of Russia would employ himself energetically to bring about peace on the basis of territorial integrity for France. This dispatch having only arrived in Paris after the revolution had already succeeded, had fallen into the hands of the new Minister for Foreign Affairs, M. JULES FAVRE, who naturally could not carry it out in the manner contemplated, although it would have spared France so many misfortunes. It has been very wrongly said that M. JULES FAVRE had concealed this dispatch. M. JULES FAVRE was in a situation which did not allow him to inherit from the Empire the good will of the Czar. Often in the course of his career of opposition had the celebrated lawyer attacked the Cabinet of all the Russias. He could not enter, as a matter of course, into negotiations with the sovereign. Preparations were necessary, and they were almost immediately confided to M. THIERS, who started for London before going to St. Petersburg. How much there still is good will was left, [illegible] this dispatch, as it appears, is now the only one which was produced before the Commission by the former confidant of Napoleon III., he also placed before their eyes the reply made to it later by the Empress. In this letter the Empress Regent apologizes for so tardily acknowledging the benevolent offers of the Czar; but she was not master, as were of the dispatch till several days after the 4th of September, and then only in a circuitous manner. She begs His Majesty the Emperor of Russia to preserve his benevolent intentions toward France—to use his efforts to save it without considering the interests of the dynasty whatever Government might be at the head of the nation. This letter M. DUVERNOIS was authorized to make known, and even to publish. Misfortune is a great school, if only its lessons were always durable.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The Convention of Superintendents and Teachers of Institutes for the Blind, held at Indianapolis last week, adopted a presamble and resolutions regarding Mr. DEMPSEY B. SMITH'S plan of a "University and Printing-house for the Blind" in Washington, declaring that the institutions for the blind are able and willing to make all necessary provision for the higher education of the blind in colleges and seminaries of learning for the seeing; that they have no confidence in the plans of Mr. SMITH, and disavow all connection and sympathy with them, believing such an institution to be unnecessary and even hurtful to the interests of the blind.

President GRANT, Secretary ROBESON, Postmaster-General CRESWELL and Ex-Secretary BORIE, on Saturday afternoon, dined with Ex-Senator CATTELL, at his residence near Camden. Subsequently the party proceeded in a private yacht, placed at their disposal, up the Delaware to the residence of Ex-Secretary BORIE, where they passed Sunday.

GEORGE CARLISLE, the notorious Barbary coast ranger, stabbed ROBERT SOMERS, a saloon-keeper, mortally, and MICHAEL CROWLEY, of Company G, Second United States Artillery, dangerously, in an affray in a San Francisco saloon on Saturday night. CARLISLE was arrested.

DR. JUSTO AROSEMENA, of Panama, has been appointed Minister Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Columbia to England. He is a good English scholar, has resided many years in the United States, and his wife is a New-York lady well known in Knickerbocker circles.

The Portland, Dalles and Salt Lake Railroad Company have commenced suit against the Oregon Central Company for the right of way through the pass of the Columbia at the Cascades. This pass is the only one through which the Company can build their road.

W. S. OLMSTED, Vice-President and Treasurer of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, died yesterday, in Hartford, Conn., aged sixty-eight years. He was connected with the Company twenty-two years, and five as its Secretary.

Nine eastward bound cars (Continental Fast Freight) were precipitated down an embankment by a broken wheel on Saturday, between Chesaning and Whitlocks, on the Detroit and Cincinnati Railroad, and were badly wrecked.

Mrs. Catherine TOUCEY, widow of the late Hon. ISAAC TOUCEY, formerly Secretary of the Navy, died suddenly, last evening, in Hartford, Conn., aged sixty-nine years. She was taken ill in church, and died in her carriage on the way home.

The inquest at East Cambridge, Mass., resulted in finding that the three infants supposed to have been killed with opium, died from natural causes. The woman, CALLAHER, was discharged from arrest.

The Acting United States Consul at Hong Kong denies the reported cruelties on board the ship *Mary Bruner*. He says three sailors mutinied, and one stabbed the mate, but Capt. ARTHUR had no trouble whatever with the crew.

"Rescue" engine house, in Rhinebeck, N. Y., and the engine, and the barn and carriage-house of HOMER GRAY, were burned at 1 o'clock yesterday morning; total loss, $13,000; insured, $9,500. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

The Patent Office has rejected the application of MILLIKEN and HOGGINS for letters patent for a gelatinous compound, and has extended the letters patent of JOHN TOULMIN for vibrating shears.

PETER MURPHY, one of a party of Sunday excursionists down the river from Hartford, yesterday, while crazed by liquor, jumped overboard and was drowned. He was about fifty years old, and leaves a family.

The change of the gauge of the Louisville and Cincinnati Short Line Railroad, from five feet to four feet eight and a half inches, commenced at daylight yesterday, and was completed at 7 o'clock in the evening.

The missing steamer *Espdra*, of Cadiz, Spain, arrived there yesterday. She broke her shaft, and was nine days under sail. She made repairs at Porto Rico.

WILLIAM ALVORD or R. B. WOODWARD will probably be nominated for Mayor of San Francisco by the Tax-payers' Convention.

The first bale of new cotton was received in Charleston, S. C., yesterday, from middle Georgia.

California fruit is being shipped East freely.

Exhibition of a Novel Engine at Waverly, N. J.

On Saturday afternoon a novel exhibition was given at the State Fair grounds at Waverly, N. J., which was attended by a large assemblage of gentlemen interested in transportation, mechanics and mining. The occasion was the first public trial in America of the traction engines, manufactured in England, which were rendered so serviceable by the German Army during the late war in the transportation of supplies over country roads.

It is claimed that an engine weighing five tons, costing $8,000, and managed by one man, will haul a load of thirteen tons at a speed of five miles an hour over rough country roads and up grades of one foot in twelve. The trial at Waverly showed that grades of one in six could be easily surmounted with ease; the broad wheels of the engine could carry it safely over soft, muddy ground, without relaxation of speed, and that it could be guided by a simple operation around a circle of twenty feet. The engineer is a boy of sixteen years of age.

The evolutions of the engine, which was put to every test during two hours and a half, were watched with great interest by the crowd of spectators. The statements made in its behalf appeared to be fully justified by the results. According to these the machine can be run—drawing heavy loads—for twenty-four hours upon 500 pounds of coal, and can be worked in any situation where horse power can be used, at one-third its cost. It will be exhibited at the State Fair, on the 20th of September.

Hackmen and Cabmen in Council.

A meeting of the Hackmen's and Cabmen's Benevolent and Protective Association was held last evening at the corner of Twelfth-street and Third-avenue. Nothing of importance outside of the usual business was transacted. It has been decided by the Association to petition the Board of Aldermen, when they shall assemble, for alteration in the ordinance which now fixes the rates of charge for hackney conveyances. It is alleged that in some instances, too much is allowed, and in others not enough. A rate of fare agreed upon at a recent meeting, which makes the charge for the use of a carriage from any point south of Twenty-fifth-street to Wall-street, or vicinity, for one or more persons, at 50, and of a cab within the same boundaries, $1, will be submitted in place of the regulations by the ordinance. A petition will also be made for the privilege of making a public stand around Madison-square and Reservoir Park, and at various points on Broadway after business hours.

An Uncomfortable Inmate of an Almshouse.

A special telegram from Portland, Me., tells some of the disagreeable results of lodging two insane men in adjoining rooms in an almshouse, and leaving the two in charge of an invalid. One of them named BROOKS, the more furious of the two, during the night wrenched a brace off his bedstead, with it broke off the lock of his door, then went and released his neighbor named FARRIN, and the two went for their keeper, demanding the keys to the rooms upstairs. He told them where to look for them, being overcome by fear, and they started to get them. BROOKS, however, proposed that they should return and kill the keeper. Before they had more than got out of the room he heard them, put out the lights, and then managed to get out of the room and scream for help. He was heard and the people rushed in, when BROOKS attacked them with a club, but was captured before he had inflicted much damage.

WASHINGTON.

The Obligation of the Syndicate on the New Loan.

Delayed Agricultural Reports—Changes in the Internal Revenue Detective Force—Washington Improvements to Go On—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—According to the arrangement for the disposition of the $500,000,000 of the loan, the Syndicate is not bound to subscribe for more than $10,000,000 for this month. It is indicated, however, that at least $20,000,000 will instead be taken, and the appearances are that the balance will be absorbed much more rapidly than at the rate of five million dollars monthly. The facts upon which these statements are founded concern the operations of the combinations of bankers engaged in the transactions, and cannot be made public without the permission of some one of the parties.

THE AGRICULTURAL REPORTS.

The Commissioner of Agriculture has had his attention directed to the delay in the issue of the annual reports of the department. The report for 1870 is not yet ready to be distributed, and will not be before Winter. Some time ago it was stated at the Government printing office that the report was all printed, except the first two signatures, or sixty-four pages, for which copy had not then been received. It would be a great improvement and a great advantage to the people who seek this report, if they could have the information gathered from the experience of one Summer in time to act upon it the next. This would require the issue of the Report by April or May of each year for the preceding year. Commissioner WATTS regards this as possible, and will direct his attention and energies toward producing such a result.

THE REMOVED REVENUE DETECTIVES.

The removal of several detectives of the revenue, who had been assigned to duty in New-York, which was made yesterday, was one that must have been expected by the officers themselves as well as every one conversant with the situation, to follow the change in the head of the Bureau. The reasons for the removals, if there were any occasion for giving a detailed statement of them, would satisfy the true civil service reformers. It is one of the steps toward increasing the efficiency of the office, and was taken only after careful examination and consultation with the Supervisors.

THE WASHINGTON IMPROVEMENTS.

At the time the injunction was laid upon the issue of improvement bonds for this district, the probable course of the Legislature was noticed in these dispatches. That course has been followed in a special appropriation for the continuance of the interrupted works being made of $500,000. This will enable the Board of Public Works to go on till the votes of the people have ratified a permanent loan like the one enjoined. The injunction did not therefore accomplish anything beyond a few days' delay in the march of city improvements.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Secretary BOUTWELL expects to leave for his home at Groton, Mass., some time during the present week, where he will remain for a few days for rest. Mr. HARTLEY will return and act as Secretary during the absence of Mr. BOUTWELL. Mr. HARTLEY has been spending some time in New-Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and others of the British provinces.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE BORROWED CAPITAL TAX DECISION.

The recent decision of Ex-Commissioner PLEASONTON, relieving bankers from the payment of tax on borrowed capital, reached, officially, only one district, namely, the Thirty-second of New-York. As soon as Mr. DOUGLASS, the present Commissioner, shall be officially advised by the proper officer of the receipt of the communication it will be recalled. As the case now stands there is no change in the old decision, and the tax on borrowed capital will be collected as heretofore.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE BUREAU.

The names of W. O. AVERY, Chief of Appointment Division of Internal Revenue, and Gen. AVERILL, are mentioned in connection with supplying the vacancy in one of the Deputy Commissionerships caused by the promotion of Mr. DOUGLASS.

FOREIGN MONEY ORDERS.

In addition to the details already given in these dispatches in relation to the convention for the interchange of postal money orders between Great Britain and the United States, on the 2d of October next, it may be further stated that in the conversion of the currencies of the two countries, the pound sterling of Great Britain is to be considered as equivalent to $4 86 of gold coin of the United States; the value in United States paper currency of money orders, drawn in Great Britian, and accepted by the Exchange office of New-York, is to be determined at New-York in accordance with the current premium on gold on the day of their receipt, in the same manner that the gold value of currency deposits for money orders on Great Britian is to be determined in the same city, although as previously stated the Convention places no restriction upon the number of the international money orders that may be purchased by one person. It is quite certain that the Post-office will, in case undue advantage is taken of the system, issue instructions to postmasters limiting the amount of money thus transferable by one person daily, the purpose of the convention being to afford facilities for the transmission of small amounts, and not to supplant the ordinary commercial methods of remittance and exchange by means of bankers' drafts.

The postal negotiations that have been progressing for some time with Sweden, Norway and Denmark now give promise of the early conclusion of a satisfactory convention with those countries which will insure a large reduction in the present rates of postage between them and the United States.

ERRONEOUS MANIFESTS.

The Treasury Department has held, in the case of the British schooner *John Bull*, Lingua, Cape Breton, for Portland, Me., under erroneous destination as per manifest, and allowed to proceed to Boston by the Collector at Portland, Boston being her true destination, that a vessel must in general be held to her destination as expressed in her manifest, and that the destination of her cargo should correspond with the destination of the goods as specified in the triplicate invoices as required by the act of March 3, 1863, though the law does not seem absolutely to prohibit the change of destination where the manifest is incorrect through an unintentional error.

The Standish Memorial Celebration.

The programme for the Standish Memorial Celebration at Duxbury, Aug. 17, 1871, will be as follows:

Exercises on Captain's Hill will be at 10½ o'clock, and will consist of: Music. "Hail to the Chief." Prayer. Original Ode to Miles Standish. Air, "Amerrea," sung by the audience. Oration by Gen. HORACE B. SARGENT. Hymn, sung by audience. Dedicatory prayer. Music by band. Exercises at dinner in tent for 1,500 persons at 10½ o'clock on the southerly slope of Captain's Hill. Dinner. Toasts and speeches by the leading men of the country.

Among those expected to be present are President Grant, Gen. Chamberlain of Maine, Gov. Padelford of Rhode Island, Gov. Jewell of Connecticut, Gov. Weston of New-Hampshire, Gov. Claflin and Gen. Butler of Massachusetts, Gen. Burnside, Gen. Spragne of Rhode Island, and a number of distinguished military and civic gentlemen from various sections of New-England.

EMPIRE OF GERMANY.

The Ultramontane Controversy—The Attitude of Prussia—Bismarck's Policy—The Cases of Braunsberg and of Kaminsky—State Against Church—Tone of the Official Press—The Situation in Bavaria and in Austro-Hungary—Prospects.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BERLIN, Saturday, July 29, 1871.

The Ultramontane controversy has reached a new phase since my last letter. What then seemed doubtful, and even more than doubtful, is now an established fact. The Prussian Government has drawn the sword unwillingly, no doubt, and upon hard pressure from Prince BISMARCK, the only Prussian Minister who knows how to value popularity—but it has drawn and shown its colors. The clericals, on the other hand, profess themselves as ready for the fight, and are putting forth their best strength in preparing for the impending struggle. Their threats are incessant and furious, but their very fury seems to bespeak their ruin.

ULTRAMONTANISM IN PRUSSIA.

Though not under the greatest inducement to take the lead, and disquisified for the task by the traditional policy of her Kings and Cultus Ministry, Prussia has been the first to take up the gauntlet. The fact, though urged by the entire Press, has occasioned surprise even in the most anti-clerical circles, for nobody believed M. von MICHLER capable of acting determinedly against his own allies. He is a stickler for discipline, and has been termed a Protestant Ultramontane, for the partiality with which he has transplanted ultramontane institutions into the State Church, and the energy with which he tries to keep the clergy and laity ecclesiastically under his thumb. To him the Catholics have hitherto found as warm an advocate as in their staunchest Bishop, and the Protestant population almost refused to engage in the fight under so doubtful a leader. But Prince BISMARCK moves his subordinates like puppets, and MICHLER has turned out as brave an Anti-Papist as the extremest Protestant could have wished. The struggle might have been avoided, had not the Ultramontanes thrown off their reserve and instead of advocating simply religious freedom—as in Parliament—openly defied the State in matters which the State alone has lawfully to decide, and demanded armed intervention on behalf of the Pope. As long as the charges rested only on imputed aims, they had ostensibly the right on their side, but now that they have confessed themselves foes, they must expect to be dealt with as such. The season is most inopportune, from a Catholic point of view, for the question has become not a religious, but a national question. By antagonizing on both sides, grounded as much on expediency as real principle, the Germans, flushed with the successes due to their recently-effected union, and remembering the Pro-French leaning of the Ultramontanes a year ago, have come to regard every scheme advocated at Rome, or in opposition to Prince BISMARCK, as a national danger, and determined, regardless of its merits, energetically to defeat it. Moreover the clerical organs have once more made themselves the allies of France, and threatening a new war of the French, joined by the German Catholics, against the Protestant Government. This intended master-stroke has cost the Ultramontanes their last possibility of success.

THE BRAUNSBERG CASE.

There are two special cases, above all, which have drawn the Prussian Government out of its doubtful and undecided attitude. The first is known as the "Braunsberg case," and refers to the suspension of a religious teacher at the public school at Braunsberg from his office by the Diocesan Bishop of Ermeland. The reason was a refusal to teach the new doctrine of infallibility. Government was, it is affirmed, inclined, at first, to submit to the enactment of a conscience clause, allowing infallibilist parents to keep their children from the religious lessons, but the Bishop refusing this compromise, M. von MICHLER, on his own authority, reinstated the rebel teacher, maintaining, first, that the Bishop had no right to interfere with the appointment of masters paid out of Government funds at Government colleges; and, next, that his teaching being the same as that sanctioned by the Bishops at the time of his first appointment, there was not even a ground of complaint. M. von MICHLER even announced that he must regard the Church before the 15th July, 1870, as the only legitimate Catholic Church; but that is a point which he now appears ready to yield. He could not well, practically, regard the bulk of the Catholics, with all the Bishops and clergy on their side, as an unauthorized apostate sect of a Church represented only by a fraction of the whole. The Bishop has replied to the Minister's rescript, denying his right to decide on doctrinal matters, of which he considers himself the only local and the Pope the highest authority, and charging the Government with misappropriation of funds bequeathed for the purpose of Catholic education. But it is asserted that M. von MICHLER will not deign to reply to this protest, abiding solely by his former decision.

THE CASE OF KAMINSKY.

The second and perhaps more important case is that referring to the suspension of an anti-infallibilist priest in Silesia. Here the controversy took a more decided and unfriendly tone, the fact that the recent laborers' riots at Königshütte were found to have been fomented by the Catholic clergy. The priest KAMINSKY, at Kattowitz, refusing to submit to the infallibility dogma, was at once dismissed from office by the Archbishop of Breslau. On his continued refusal to recant, he was moreover excommunicated. Having sufficient means at his disposal, KAMINSKY purchased a chapel in the same town, in order to celebrate mass for his old congregation. The Archbishop had the chapel closed and sealed, and prevented KAMINSKY from officiating. The priest appealed to Government, which instantly had the seal removed and allowed the service to proceed. The fact was simply notified, as a matter of course, to the Archbishop, and last Sunday Mgr. KAMINSKY celebrated mass in his own chapel to a numerous congregation of anti-infallibilist parishioners. The movement is taken up with great spirit by the province, and the small chapel promises to become the nucleus of a wide-spread system. Mgr. KAMINSKY experienced some difficulty in providing his chapel with eucharistic plate and vestments. On proceeding to Breslau—the Provisional capital is the only place near where such things are to be got—he was tracked to the shop by hostile priests, whose influence being naturally great in a shop of ecclesiastical ornaments, prevailed upon the proprietor to refuse the sale. This disingenious mode of persecution becoming known, has still more prejudiced the Silesians against their priests.

THE OFFICIAL PRESS ON ULTRAMONTANISM.

Though until within a few days the official Press has been markedly cautious in its utterances on the ultramontane question, it has now resorted to plain language, precluding all possibility of misinterpretation. The key-note is supplied by BISMARCK'S official organ, the *North German Gazette*, and this at once betrays whence the blow really proceeds. Both the quoted journal and the *Provincial Correspondence* are very outspoken on the subject. They maintain, however, in perfect harmony with the *Reichsanzeiger*, that the Government will not on any account interfere in dogmatic questions, but treat the controversy only from the view dictated by public law. The *North German Gazette* says:

"The Ultramontanes have had no more the shadow of an excuse for their supposed ignorance of the true relations of Government. A series of authentic insinuations have been published lately, which can impossibly be misunderstood. Both in the documents addressed by M. von MICHLER to the Bishop of Ermeland in the Braunsberg matter and in the explanatory articles of the official Press on the abrogation of the Catholic department in the late ministry, it is plainly and unambiguously stated that the State, in its measures on Catholic Church matters, will suffer itself to be guided exclusively by principles of public law, limiting its action to indictment cases. Upon official expression or expectation of any power over the conciences of Catholic subjects there can be no idea. If the Ultramontane organs, therefore, represent their party as subject to unrelenting persecution, they resort to a lie, which in its grossness and impudence still almost surpasses those untruths previously promulgated."

ULTRAMONTANISM IN BAVARIA.

The policy of the Bavarian Government differs materially from that sketched out in the foregoing quotation. Prussia has nothing to do with abstract speculations, but unsparingly attacks concrete encroachments. Bavaria, on the other hand, avoids a concrete conflict, but acquiesces in, if it does not encourage, reports of its determined resistance to the abstract dogma. Much has been said out of Bavaria of the dismissal of Count BRAY, hitherto Prime Minister, which was interpreted as an anti-infallibilist victory. Count BRAY is indeed a staunch infallibilist, and to his influence must be attributed the doubtful attitude hitherto observed by the Government. But Count BRAY was not the chief obstacle, and things are hardly better after his dismissal. The supposed Döllingerism of the Court and Government rests to a great extent on a misconception. Revelations now made public prove the part Bavaria took a year ago to have been by no means so bravely designed by the then rulers as was first believed. The Clerical, which is the Pro-French and Anti-Prussian party, had great power then at Court. It was the pressure of public opinion which urged the King—assiduously desirous of doing right—on to the royal road he took. The Ultramontane Party has remained in power, and the King is as faithful a Roman Catholic as ever lived. He is no doubt anxious again to act for the best of his country, but where powerful influences are so closely united, it is hard to say which is right and which is wrong. Count BRAY was the representative of the so-called "National" Bavarian party—that is, the Anti-Prussians, who acquiesce in an alliance with Prussia, but give only so much as is enforced by circumstances and public opinion, who stand up for Catholicism as opposed to Northern Protestantism, and for clerical organization because it supplied a means for State organization. There are still some clericals left in the Ministry, viz., M. von BRAUN and M. von PRANKEN, whereas the other two, M. von LUTZ (the Cultus Minister) and M. von PFEUFFER-NER, very doubtful Döllingerists. M. von LUTZ has hitherto avoided every conflict; he has allowed the Bishops to excommunicate priests by the score, suspend them from office, prohibit the attendance of anti-infallibilists' lectures—nay, even to seize upon royal benefices. He has been urged to join either side, petitioned to receive deputations, and has refused both, and the Bavarians have now given him up as hopeless. It has been often reported that the King sides with DÖLLINGER, but he has given no proof of it. Though petitioned repeatedly, he has assigned no church or chapel for the use of his friends. So things look hopeless for the popular party. M. von DAHLENBERGER, the provisional successor of Count BRAY, is reported to be a Protestant, but he officially confesses himself to share his predecessor's views. The King's interview with Prince HOHENLOHE, the late Prime Minister, proves to be a myth, and so is the report of the meeting of the Cultus Ministers of Prussia and Bavaria, MÜHLER and LUTZ, at Munich. With the latter contradiction, all rumors of a joint action of Prussia and Bavaria have lost the last coloring of probability.

ULTRAMONTANISM IN AUSTRO-HUNGARY.

The third party in the supposed Anti-Papal alliance, Austro-Hungary, endeavors to keep the disagreeable quarrel out of its territory altogether, maintaining strictly the *status quo*. In spite of his first denial, Count BEUST turns out to have given an answer to the Bishops petitioning for intervention in behalf of the Pope, a decidedly unfavorable answer, viz.: that Austria could not alter her policy to the friendly Power of Italy, but otherwise Count BEUST refused to take any step hostile to Ultramontanism. In Hungary, the lower clergy proves unruly. Though the Government lends a countenance to the infallibilist Bishops, the lower clergy are independent enough to resist the new dogma and have embodied their views in a pamphlet just out, in which they insist on the following reforms: 1. The adoption of the national language at mass and otherwise in church. 2. The abolition of a number of holidays. 3. A reform of the present ecclesiastical discipline. 4. The abolition of monastic orders. 5. The discontinuance of disciplinary punishment for other than dogmatic or sacramental offenses. 6. The introduction of diocesan synods. 7. The abolition of a number of fast days. 8. The abolition of compulsory celibacy. How Government and the episcopacy will receive these proposals remains to be seen.

IMPENDING CONFLICT IN BADEN.

A conflict seems to be imminent in the Grand Duchy of Baden, where a legal Government official has been arrested by order of the Catholic clergy. He had been employed in the Catholic High Ecclesiastical Council, as a legal adjunct, but was exchanged to another office by Government. The ecclesiastical authorities, not having formally sanctioned his discharge, continued to regard him as their subordinate, and, for some ostensible reason not stated in the papers, ordered him to be arrested on the steps of his office.

THE ULTRAMONTANE JOURNALS.

The clerical organs use very hostile language, the authentic organ of the Pope, the Geneva *Correspondance* supplying the text on which the others comment. Their latest forte is prophesying. "The Pope will be the only Sovereign reinstalled on his throne, not by the Princes, but by the peoples. His power will thus remain when that of the temporal Sovereigns dwindle into nothing. Then he will deny those whom he has formerly helped and who now deny him." The specially German papers threaten a new war with France, when the German Catholics will stand by the Catholic foreign Power.

PROSPECTS.

The prospect of a reconciliation of the Prussian Government, and the Ultramontanes so promising still a week ago, appears thus to have receded into the region of impossibility. Both parties have gone too far to shun a conflict, the issue of which, though it cannot be uncertain in regard to the side obtaining the victory, must be most uncertain in its future bearing on the German nation, and probably on the position of the Pope. Nationalism, nay, patriotism, having been impressed into service on one side, the controversy suggests the question how far a non-national Church, maintaining a clerical organization, is compatible with the existence of a great and powerful nation. Though Catholicism will undoubtedly continue in Germany, Papal supremacy appears doomed. The Germans accuse the Italian Cardinals of having already conspired for the nomination of an Italian successor to PIO NONO, in the event of his death, without awaiting the arrival of the German Cardinals. To prevent this it is said that Emperor WILLIAM has taken very decided measures.

City Meteorological Report.

The following observations show the temperature, &c., yesterday, at the Central Park Meteorological Station:

	6 A.M.	9 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.	6 P.M.
Temperature Sun. Feb. 70	73	76	76	74
Stand of bar. in inch. 30.03	...	30.13	...	30.13
Wet-bulb Thermometer at noon, deg. Feb. 72.				

GREAT BRITAIN.

Immense Meeting in Hyde Park Yesterday.

Several Speeches Made to Twenty Thousand People.

The Communist, American and Irish Flags Displayed.

A Partial Riot in Londonderry on Saturday.

The Cavalry and Police Charge Upon the Mob.

Thirty Persons Wounded and Many Arrests Made.

Serious Trouble Anticipated in the Welsh Mines.

The Hyde Park Meeting on the Dublin Riots—Aug. 12 in Londonderry—No Rioting.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The meeting in Hyde Park today, to protest against the suppression of the Phœnix Park meeting in Dublin on Sunday last, was an immense affair. Twenty thousand people attended, and speeches were made from six different stands. Communist and American flags and ban

LIVING IN THE COUNTRY.

The People Who Work in Town and Live Elsewhere.

Thousands Coming In and Going Out Daily—Busy Scenes at the Railway Depots—Curious Facts About These Travelers—How They Live—Judges Who Preside in Philadelphia.

Statistics which would show the difference between the population of our busy bustling commercial metropolis at 12 o'clock noon and at 12 o'clock at night, when the din and turmoil of the day are over, and when most people have reached their domicile for the night, would prove interesting in many respects. These statistics would no doubt show the midnight population of New-York to be hundreds of thousands less than its noon population, and would, if contrasted with any other city in the world, be found to bear a lesser proportion to its midday population. New-York, like all large emporiums of trade, daily receives thousands of strangers daily, but there is no other city in the world which receives back into its arms, in the morning, such a large percentage of its own citizens, who rush into it from all parts of Long Island, Staten Island, New-Jersey, Westchester and other places, from 6 o'clock to 11 o'clock A. M., and who with equal rapidity take their departure therefrom after 4 o'clock P. M. In fact these places are but the sleeping dormitories of many thousands of New-Yorkers, who, for various reasons, prefer to desert the City at night. Chief among these reasons is the difficulty of getting suitable houses or lodgings in New-York at anything like a reasonable figure, rents having reached such a point as to deter men in middling circumstances from engaging dwellings in this City, and the excuse given by house-owners for demanding such excessive rents is that the rents on all City property are so high up that houses cannot be let without a loss to the owner at a lesser rent. Thousands of citizens are under these circumstances compelled to seek accommodation in neighboring cities where they can secure premises proportionate to their means, and the rent of which, including rail and car fare to and from New-York daily, is found to be less than what they were asked to pay in New-York for, in many instances, inferior accommodation. With a view of showing where most of these good people have taken up their abodes, we have sent reporters to the various railroad lines to note the arrivals, and such facts in connection therewith as may be of interest to the public. The following is the story:

The Morris and Essex Road.

The reporter to whom was assigned the Morris and Essex Railroad, took up his position inside their inclosure about 6 o'clock on Saturday. The first train arrived from Newark at 6:30 A. M., bringing about thirty operatives belonging to the Company, and some seventy mechanics of a superior class. The next train that came into the station was from Chatham, with five carriages, all crowded, making about 300 people. There were a few mechanics and some clerks, but by far the largest class seemed to be store-keepers and market-men. There were not a few ladies accompanying their fathers and husbands. On this train, without exception, every one used commutation passes, and the conductor informed the reporter that sometimes for an entire week he didn't take a ticket or a cent. The Morristown accommodation then rattled in under the archway at 7:55. It was a full train, six crowded carriages, many people having to stand up. There must have been at the least computation 400 people, half of whom were ladies and children. They were all people of the upper class, the gentlemen, being apparently professional men and merchants. There may have been some clerks among them, but those to whom the reporter spoke, were all merchants or lawyers.

At 8:10 came along the Bloomfield and Montclair express, which had five carriages, and very full, averaging, perhaps, thirty-five to a carriage, or 175 persons in all. Of these very many were ladies. The reporter asked the conductor whether they were residents. He replied that there were many who were passing the Summer, he came into the City once a week or so, but who would return the same night. The gentlemen were all business men. There were some residents who lived there all the year round and did business in New-York. The Summit accommodation arrived shortly afterward. It had six crowded carriages containing between 400 and 500 people. One of them was so courteous as to explain to the reporter his position. He was book-keeper in a large hardware house on Beekman-street, and had lived in Orange Junction for the past two years. He was born in New-York, and had always lived there, but times had changed so that it was difficult to live there any longer. Nine years ago he hired a house for $600 per annum. It was situated in Nineteenth-street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues. It was a brick three-story house, and very comfortable. In seven years his landlord raised his rent up to $1,200, and then demanded $1,400. This was the last straw. He told him he might keep the house, and he bought in Orange Junction two adjoining lots, one 24 feet by 154 feet, the other 50 feet by 100. There was a good frame house with neat verandah on the thirty-four foot lot, and he has surrounded it with a splendid garden. His peaches, plums, and pears are better than any sold in the market, and he literally resides under the shade of his own vines. The whole thing cost him only $5,000. There are around Orange, and the neighborhood, whole colonies of New-Yorkers. Junction, where he lives, is populated entirely by them. East Orange, Brick Church, Orange Valley, South Orange and Montrose are all peopled similarly. Orange itself has plenty of old residents, like the DWIGHTS and CURTISES, but even there many New-York merchants have made their home. This gentleman expressed his conviction that almost every passenger was a New-York business man of some description or another, and pointed out a gentleman just ahead of him, waiting to go through the turnstile to the ferry-boat, as the son of a wealthy hardware man in the same street as his employer, who had leased a house in the Junction because rents were so exorbitant in New-York. In corroboration, the conductor showed the tickets he had taken—just seventeen.

Hackettstown came next at 8:35, with seven carriages, all comfortably full, about 400, more than half ladies and children. The gentlemen were all either professional men or merchants, but the reporter was not able to learn any thing from individuals. The conductor said that they were for the most part passing the Summer at different places in the vicinity of Hackettstown, which it seems is close to Schooley's Mountains, but a fair share were residents doing business in the City.

After that the passengers were nearly all miscellaneous.

The Long Island Road.

The managers of this road are so extremely reticent as to all in which that very little can be learned from them as to the number of passengers carried, or indeed, as to any other points of interest to the public. The eastern terminus of the road is at Hunter's Point, and the Western at Sag Harbor, the total distance being 100¾ miles. On the route are the villages of Jamaica, Hyde Park, Farmingdale, Hempstead, Glen Cove, Huntington, Deer Park, Holbrook, Lakeland, Waverly, and many other pretty and thriving places. This Company has recently adopted the system of selling packages of tickets, at greatly reduced rates, to all places beyond Northport. To all other points commutation tickets are issued. There are said to be about 700 commuters on this road, and about as many more permanent residents, doing business in New-York or Brooklyn, who purchase tickets by the hundred. On this road no early trains are run. The first starts at 8½, but does not reach New-York until 9¾, which is too late for mechanics and working men generally. The majority of residents on the line of this road are old settlers, born and raised on the homestead they occupy. All to-do merchants, and clerks, who find 9 o'clock early enough to be at business, are met by the 6 or 8½ P. M. train.

The Flushing and North-Side Railroad, Long Island.

A reporter from the TIMES was detailed Saturday morning to take an accurate account of the number of persons brought to the City by the Flushing and North-side Railroad Company, Long Island. He visited the ferry at Jamaica, and counted the passengers brought by the steamers Hunter's Point and Rockaway from 6¼ to 11 o'clock A. M. Each boat made four trips to and from Hunter's Point during that period, bringing in the aggregate about 850 passengers, or on an average of a little over 100 per trip. Every class supplied its quota—porters, mechanics, clerks of all grades, merchants and professional men being represented. There were a few men and women on each boat who could not be properly classed as New-Yorkers, as their evidently came to do a little marketing; but this class at most did not amount to more than ten per cent of the entire number, which would leave 765 residents of Long Island City and Flushing daily, doing business in the lower portion of that City, which of course does not include the number who arrive at the Thirty-fourth-street Ferry. The reporter classes the 765 in the following manner: Porters and mechanics, fifteen per cent; clerks, fifty per cent; merchants and professional men, thirty-five per cent. The Flushing Railroad Company offers considerable inducement to New-Yorkers to reside at Flushing. The regular fare from Flushing to New-York, single tickets, is twenty-five cents, which, for a year, not including Sundays, would amount to $156, but the Company offer a commutation to those who purchase yearly tickets, which they give for $52, or 33.6 per cent of the single fare. This commutation is availed of to a considerable extent, there being from four to five hundred ticket-holders under the commutation plan. The charge to Hunter's Point for a single ticket is six cents, which is reduced to five by purchasing a package of tickets. From Hunter's Point or Long Island City, then, a tradesman, clerk, or professional man, can travel to New-York and back for ten cents, which, considering the length of the ferry, some four miles—must be considered very reasonable. Ten cents a day, exclusive of Sundays, will amount to $31 20 at the end of the year, which sum is more than truely saved by the very low rent (compared with that of New-York) which the resident has to pay.

The New-Jersey Railroad.

On no line of railway connected with the City are the advantages of suburban life more apparent than the New-Jersey Railroad, for upon its crowded trains one may see every phase of society, from the poor sewing girl and laborer to the high-bred matron and merchant prince, all coming and going at various hours, to and from the great City. Though the working classes are scattered all along the road from Jersey City to Newark, very few go beyond the latter place; and from 6:30 o'clock to 7½ o'clock in the morning the trains are literally packed with mechanics and laborers, shop girls and seamstresses, school-teachers and school-children, bound to the City in pursuit of their various avocations and duties. The distance—less than nine miles—requires only thirty minutes to reach New-York, and at a yearly expense of $65 50. Of the above classes, fully 4,000 pass over the road daily to and from their homes in New-Jersey. From Newark on to Waverly, Elizabeth, Lindes, Railway, Houtenville and New-Brunswick, including a number of intermediate stations, begins the travel of the more fortunate and wealthier classes, the clerks, salesmen, merchants, bankers and lawyers, and men of wealth and position, to the number of about 1,000, who have long since preferred the comforts of suburban life to the innumerable discomforts and impositions consequent upon an existence in a large City, groaning under the weight of monstrous taxation. The distance from New-Brunswick, the furthest station from which any respectable number daily visit New-York on business, is only a little over thirty miles, and is made in less than an hour and a half, at the charge of $65 as the moderate price of a commutation ticket for one year. Newark, distant nine miles, Elizabeth fourteen miles, and Rahway twenty miles, are the most popular places of residence, yet on both sides of the road from Newark, even as far as New-Brunswick, the country is densely marked with every conceivable description of dwelling, from the modest habitation of the merchant's clerk to the elegant mansion of his employer.

It is a singular fact, not generally known, perhaps, that more than a hundred New-York merchants are actually residents of Philadelphia, and pass over the New-Jersey Railroad daily to their places of business in New-York and return at night. In the early morning, trains consisting of twenty and thirty coaches, packed with throngs of working people, empty their human cargoes every fifteen minutes at the Jersey City slips of the Cortlandt and Desbrosses street ferries. This enormous ingress lasts until about 8 o'clock in the morning, when the merchants, their clerks, the school-teachers and school-children begin to swarm the ferries, the number gradually diminishing until after 10 o'clock, when ladies visiting their friends in the City, and others bound upon shopping tours, commence to make their appearance at the depot. The latter class of travelers continue up to 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the tide begins to turn, and the great exodus commences.

The South-Side Road.

This road runs from South Eighth-street, Brooklyn, through Jamaica, Valley Stream, and Babylon to Patchogue, fifty-four miles in all, with branches to Rockaway Beach and Hempstead. Its principal business is done during the Summer months. Last year 400,000 passengers were carried over the road. There are about 350 permanent residents on the line of the road, who do business in New-York, and pass in and out regularly every day. Of these 200 are commuters. The majority of these permanent residents are clerks, who have purchased lots in Jamaica, Valley Stream and Babylon, and erected dwellings thereon of the value of $1,800 and $2,000 each.

During the past two years about 100 mechanics have purchased property on the line of the road, and for their accommodation an early train for New-York is run, starting at 5:22 A. M. and reaching this City at 6:45. The principal train is the 9:05 A. M., which consists of from ten to fourteen cars, carrying from 500 to 700 passengers. During the present year building operations along the line of the road have increased thirty-three per cent. over those of last year. A very large proportion of the business of the road is done during the months of July and August, when New-Yorkers go out to Rockaway and Fire Island to spend a month or two, coming into the City twice or thrice a week. A large number of school children are also carried daily over the road from the various villages along its route to Brooklyn, Jamaica and Babylon. The rates of commutation are low on this line, and for children attending school there is a still further reduction.

At present the Company is involved in a dispute with the authorities of Jamaica, and, in consequence, only two of its trains stop at Jamaica.

The York and Harlem Railroad.

The New-York and Harlem Railroad extends from this City to Chatham, Between White Plains (twenty-five miles distant) and here reside a very large number of commuters, which number the officials decline to state.

The first train from Williamsbridge arrives in the morning at 5:35 o'clock. It brings five cars of mechanics and laborers. Each car carries about sixty persons, making in all about 300. The 7:35 o'clock train from White Plains has six cars, generally filled with clerks and salesmen. The 8:30 o'clock train from Mount Kisco brings six cars of a mixed class of passengers. The 9:05 o'clock train from Williamsbridge brings six cars full of clerks, salesmen and merchants. The 11:30 o'clock train from Pleasings brings six cars mostly of retired merchants and country people. The 10:30 o'clock train from White Plains brings in five cars a mixed class of passengers. The 2:30 o'clock train from Chatham, brings in six cars of an assorted class of passengers. The total number who do business in this City is probably 1,680, or thereabouts.

New-York Central and Hudson River.

So numerous are the trains which arrive and depart daily, that the Company uses two depots as the intersection of Thirtieth-street and Tenth-avenue. The trains for Yonkers and the seven stations between there and their depart from the smaller depot.

The first train on Saturday morning was a special from Yonkers, followed by a through express from Albany. Then came a special from Sing Sing. The Yonkers train brought in about 300 persons, who seemed to be principally mechanics. As the express train did not stop at any of the stations between here and Peekskill, consequently none of the passengers could be properly classed as among those who regularly, daily, are compelled to journey to and from their homes in the suburbs. The Sing Sing was well loaded. It brought in probably about 600 persons. After another express, at 7:55, came a Peekskill special, followed in fifteen minutes afterward by a Yonkers special. These two brought in about 400 persons. Next came another Yonkers special, followed by a Sing Sing special, both bringing in about 450 persons. The Hudson express, which does not stop after reaching Peekskill, came in at 9:30. At 9:40 we had a second Peekskill special, which did not stop after reaching Yonkers, and at 10:40 the fourth special, which left Yonkers during the morning, having stopped at all of the seven way stations between there and here. The passengers, collectively, numbered about 300. Thus about 1,700 persons had arrived on the special trains only between 6:30 and 10:40 A. M. Some were even quite young boys and girls, with their lunches wrapped up in paper; others were young men and women; others laborers or mechanics, carrying dinner-pails, and others again clerks. Finally there came by the later trains stylishly-dressed persons.

Along the Erie Road.

Eighty-three trains pass through the Erie Railway depot building, at Jersey City, every day, forty-two coming in, and forty-one going out. The most valuable passengers on the line are merchants of New-York, who prefer to waste the time and to pay the money required for traveling twice daily over many miles of road, rather than pay the frightful prices for rent and board demanded in New-York. Fourteen hundred of these persons pass over the road daily, according to the calculations of the officials, coming in the morning, and returning again in the evening. They are among the earliest arrivals of the day. A few come down from Paterson on the lightning express from Port Jervis, which gets in at 7 A. M., though the eight cars on that train are mostly occupied by through passengers from the West. The first train from Paterson which touches at Lake View, Clifton, Passaic, Passaic Bridge and Rutherford Park, the principal places of residence between Paterson and New-York, brings in a larger installment at 8:05 o'clock. A sort of milk-train from Hackensack gets in at about the same time, bringing generally about thirty persons. Thus they continue to come until about 10 o'clock, after which the business classes are slimly represented.

New-York and New-Haven Railroad.

The New-York and New-Haven Railroad has a reputation for its general condition second to none in the country. It also claims to have the wealthiest cities of commuters. Of the number of these the officials decline to say. Recently day the TIMES reporters examined the morning trains as they arrived with the following result. The entire length of the road to New-Haven is seventy-six miles. There are commuters from all the stations, but few however above Norwalk.

The first train in the morning is from Stamford, and the bulk of the passengers are mechanics. It arrives here at 6:35 o'clock. There were four cars, containing fifty-four persons each. The next train arrives at 8 o'clock, is from Norwalk, and carries clerks and merchants. There were six cars. The next train arrives at 8:50, and comes from New-Haven, and the eleven cars contain merchants, clerks and pleasure-seekers. The 9½ express train from New-Haven brings eight cars, mostly filled with merchants, men of leisure, and ordinary travelers.

The 8:55 o'clock train from Stamford brings five cars of a mixed character of passengers.

The 11:35 o'clock train from New-Haven has five cars of the same sort.

The grand total of arrivals by these trains yesterday summed up to a total about of 2,300. Fully one-half of this number are daily or tri-weekly passengers, and do business here. Nearly all own property along the line of the road, and some are immensely wealthy.

New-Jersey Central and New-York and Newark Railroads.

Every day at this depot thirty-six passenger trains of the Central and fourteen of the Newark Railroads arrive, and precisely as many depart, laden with precious freight of human beings. Standing at the entrance to the ferry-boat slip, on the other side of the river, the reporter endeavored to count the crowds that hurried past him on their way to the great City. They were chiefly men who during the day are to be seen busy in the trade-marts of the Metropolis. Those who came by the early morning trains, between the hours of 6¼ and 7:05, were the anxious merchants who like to attend the opening of their own business-places in the morning, well-to-do mechanics, who themselves allot the work to their workmen, clerks who are required to put in an appearance early in the morning, and journeymen mechanics, who by escaping the high rents of our City, are enabled to pay the commutation rates of the Railroad Company. By a system of counting, which was found afterward to nearly agree with the estimates of the railroad officials and employes, it was found that about 500 persons had crossed from the four trains within the hour, of which number about 100 were females. From 7½ to 8:10 three more trains arrived, which bore a class of passengers the majority of whom appeared to be in no haste whatever. There were, however, among the crowd, a number of individuals who were evidently in great haste to reach the other side. These hurried and worried people rushed ahead with a seemingly reckless indifference as to whether they jumped on the boat or into the stream. About 600 persons came over by these three trains. Included in the number were about 125 females, who looked as though they might have been of the families of the male passengers, and under their escort to the City. From 8:35 to 10:00 the side of travel swelled to huge proportions, the 8:35 and 9:47 boats carrying over about 800 passengers, not more than 150 of whom were females. The seven trains of the Central and Newark roads coming into the depot from 8:45 to 9:30, brought into the City, of persons, of which number 625 were females. The latter rate increased in number on each successive train, and the last one brought about 250.

Then there was a sleek of travel from 9:35 to 11½. The trains of the two roads brought into the City during these hours about 900 passengers, of whom as many as two were females.

One of these trains brought passengers from the western connection of the New-Jersey Central Railroad, to the number of about 150. By an addition of the totals thus given, a very close approximation to the actual number of persons who crossed the Communipaw ferry-boats yesterday from that road are guessed in business in New-York, and that 1,000 who travel daily on the New-York and Newark Railroad are similarly engaged, making 2,500.

The Long Branches Turnfest.

The deficit of the eighteenth biennial Bundes Turnfest of the North American Turner Union is said to amount to $4,000, which has to covered by the Williamsburg Turnverein, under whose auspices the festival was given. The Verein numbers only about 200 members, but the assets of the society amount to at least $60,000 or $70,000, so that there will be no difficulty in meeting the demands.

PERSONAL, POLITICAL AND GENERAL.

Prof. ALBERT HOPKINS, of Williams College, is very ill of new fever.

Jay-men on the Kennebec are colossal because they have sold only about one-third of the 300,000 tons of ice they contracted last Winter.

There is to be a centennial celebration in Winchester, Conn., on Thursday next, at which Gov. JEWELL is to be present.

The exports of the Sandwich Islands last year exceeded the imports in value by nearly half a million dollars.

Orangeville, Ontario, has an older one—a woman aged 115 years, and in full possession of all her faculties, of course.

Nearly 200 members of the PATON family, which years ago leaped into fame, had a reunion in Hamilton, Mass., on Thursday last.

Hens in the vicinity of Chicago are reported by the village papers to be dying daily by the hundreds, of liver complaint.

Montreal reports a slight shock of earthquake about 4¼ P. M. on Thursday. And Woolboro', N. H., reports one on Wednesday last.

CORNELIUS WELLS, of Newark, says he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor of New-Jersey, and expects to be one until the Convention settles the question.

The votes cast on the Constitutional Convention in North Carolina, at the recent election, will be officially canvassed by the Governor and other officers on the 24th inst.

Chief-Justice CHASE is said to have recently purchased five acres of land on the Heights of Narragansett, R. I., intending to erect a Summer residence there.

A Virginia paper boasts of a young Confederate soldier who measures seven and a half feetin height, when straightened up, but at present drawn almost double by rheumatism.

The Richmond State *Journal* denies that Congressman PLATTS is to be the Chairman of the Virginia Republican State Committee, or that Gov. WELLS has agreed to give up his position to anybody.

Edmondson County, Kentucky, boasts of its natural curiosities, enumerating the Mammoth Cave, Indian Hill, Dismal Rock, Solteman's Cave, Proctor's Cave, and two natural bridges of solid stone.

JACOB THOMPSON, of Mississippi, thinks (does anybody feel much interest in what he thinks?) that the Southern people should have nothing to do with politics, leaving their Northern brethren to run the machine alone.

A bare-headed, bare-footed little boy astonished a worshiping congregation in a Massachusetts town, on a recent Sunday, by rushing into church and exclaiming: "Where's my paper? The pigs are out!"

The Virginia Conservatives are very reluctant to change their name to Democrat. No wonder they manifest an inclination to avoid rashly committing themselves under present circumstances.

The Boston *Traveller* gives a rumor that the Brokers' Board of that city, in compliment to the visiting New-York yachtsmen, will do no business today, but go in a body and witness the regatta.

Mrs. HENRY A. WISE, Jr., received, last week, about $12,000, the full amount of the insurance, with interest, costs, &c., on the life of her late husband, Rev. H. A. WISE, Jr., of Baltimore. The companies refused to pay it until compelled by the Courts.

The Chicago *Times* thinks the Democratic Party had better ignore the reconstruction question from this time henceforth, because it is a dead issue; but financial issues, it says, cannot be treated in that way, for "they are living questions, and must be met without equivocation or evasion."

Gov. BOWIE has signed the death-warrant of LEAR SCARBOROUGH for the murder of her child; and of WILLIAM PRITCHARD, a negro boy, for a gross outrage on a white girl. The executions will take place on the 29th of September, the first in Baltimore and the other in Towsontown.

At a recent political meeting in Sacramento, Cal., Judge A. HENLY made a brief address, in which he said, in effect, that the Democratic Party had departed so far from the right that he could no longer affiliate with it, and he should hereafter give in his hearty allegiance to the Republican Party.

An Illinois farmer has told his rat story. He was going out to his corn-crib the other morning, he says, when he saw a large rat, with head aback, carrying a full-sized ear of corn in his mouth, while at the same time his tail was wrapped around another large ear, which he was dragging behind him.

The young ladies who, while drifting out to sea in a boat, waved their handkerchiefs to a Boston clergyman and saw him sail speedily away in his yacht, because they were strangers to him, were rescued by a lighthouse-keeper, who saw their dilemma and put off to their assistance without waiting for a formal introduction.

While stationed at the Portsmouth, N. H., Navy-yard, Pay-master CAHOON, who has been pronounced insane by the Commission appointed to inquire into his alleged defalcations, was noted for his eccentricities and lavish expenditures, and hundreds of children remember him as the gentleman who used to fill their hands with pennies whenever he met them in the street.

A Honolulu paper relates that as a native man and woman were out fishing on a reef, a shark appeared and attacked the man, and by successive bites took off his arms and his legs; that the woman made for the shore with the limbless trunk of her husband; that she reached it in safety, and that the man still lives. The story is told on the authority of a policeman at Waikiki, otherwise it would be difficult of belief.

A Wisconsin editor, while riding on the platform of a car recently, lost his hat. A train-boy at his side suggested, jokingly, that he had better jump off and get it. Without a moment's thought, he acted upon the suggestion, and the passengers were suddenly treated to a display of acrobatic performances wholly new to them and to him. Fortunately he was not seriously injured, but has learned to look and to think before he leaps.

California's latest curiosity is a rooster with two sets of legs, one on his back. When he is weary of standing in his natural position, it is gravely asserted, he turns a somersault and walks off upside down, and when he takes a drink he immediately turns over so as to swallow it the more easily. But it is in a free fight that he shows to greatest advantage. For he is a terrible fighter, and, when thus diverting himself, looks like a revolving wheel, turning somersaults incessantly, and kicking in every direction.

A young lady who left a valuable parasol in a dry goods store in Hartford, Conn., vainly sought to recover it, being assured that she must be mistaken. A few days after she called at the same store to purchase another, and was shown the identical parasol with a new "tag," marked with an increased price from its first cost. She claimed it of the clerk; he innocently appealed to his employers; there was a hurried consultation between them, and then without a spoken word of explanation or apology, she was permitted to take away her property.

The result of the division of the Republican Convention in the Third District of Texas is two candidates for Congress. The Convention adopted resolutions indorsing the State and National Administration, and nominated Gen. W. T. CLARK, he receiving thirty votes, to two for RICHARD ALLEN, and one-half a vote to LOUIS W. STEVENSON. Their were eighteen seceders from this regular Convention, who also organized in another hall, and nominated LOUIS W. STEVENSON. Among those in the seceding convention were Judge SABIN and Judge DODGE.

There is more wrangling between the Labor Reformers and the Democrats of New-Hampshire. The former say they were promised one of the four vacant offices in Rockingham County, and that the Governor has filled them all with Democrats, with a view to aid in the election of a certain Portsmouth man to Congress. The Labor Reformers had unanimously selected their man for the place to be given them, and when they found that he "other" candidates and competed with him he withdrew his name at the request, they immediately made manifest their indignation by protest, and the circulation of petitions to persons residing in the Governor and Council from their organization.

It is told of WILLIAM PERCIVAL, the brakeman who lost his life by the late accident on the Maine Central Railroad, near Bangor, that a week previous he was conversing with another person running on the train, and expressed his belief that they would not run together much longer, and when asked why, he replied, "I expect the train will go through some of these bridges before a great while." Maine papers pertaining this call it a "strange presentiment," but to some minds it may seem rather the results of a most unwelcome knowledge of an insecure condition of the bridges.

Gen. REYNOLDS, the Department Commander in Texas, is very much lifted by the San Antonio *Herald* and other Democratic journals, but they complain because he does not receive prompt authority from Washington to accede to all the requests of the settlers. He has recently visited the Mexican frontier, to investigate the charge that the stay of the Indians there affords the Mexicans a pretext for contemplated marauding incursions into Texas, from which they gather horses by the hundred, and rapidly retreat through intricate pathways to the haunts of the Indian across the Rio Grande. The *Herald* says: "The General was assured by citizens of well-known repute, that by ascending a certain hill near the Rio Grande, they could point out to him 1,500 head of horses, the far greater portion of which was the stolen property of Texans, some of whom were then in the General's presence. All that they asked at his hands was permission to cross the Rio Grande and reclaim their property; which, of course, with his restricted authority he was constrained to deny."

The Labor Exchange of San Francisco has been compelled, by grossness reports circulated in the East, to make a statement of its powers and intentions, from which we quote these sentences: "California wants 5,000 girls to do general housework—girls who will work in country towns. Thousands of Chinamen are doing the work of women in hotels and private houses, simply because white help cannot be procured. The women and girls who apply to the Labor Exchange for work refuse to accept situations in the country. Now, we want females who can be satisfied to work in the interior of the State. The romantic notions about marriages will not hold water. Occasionally bachelors are captured, but these instances are becoming rare. California is not a wilderness. In some of the mining camps men predominate, but, to quote an apropos expression, while 'there are as good fish in the sea as ever swam, they don't bite as well as they used to.'"

Hon. R. ALBERT SCOONFELD has withdrawn his name from before the party Committee as a contestant for the Democratic nomination for the Legislature in Philadelphia, and says in his letter that he will appeal directly to the people. He continues: "The history of those who at present control the Democratic Party of Philadelphia is a history of repeated wrongs, usurpations, and injuries. Because I have refused to become the pliant tool of a few men whose rights to rule exists in their pre-eminent ruffianism and undoubtedly venality, I have been ishamed out of positions to which I had been honestly chosen; have been assaulted under cover of night by assassins; have been traduced and vilified without stint. My case has only been exceptional in so far as it has been more open than many others, but every intelligent citizen knows that the Democratic Party of Philadelphia is now and has been for years controlled by just such men and means as I have described, men who crave position that they may sell it for profit, who elevate their puppets because they can be handled to advantage, and who barter away their votes and those of their creatures."

Our City Hacks—Why People Do Not Ride in Them.

From the Journal of Commerce, Aug. 12.

We have before us a number of very curious and contradictory communications concerning the proposed increase of rates for the transportation of passengers in carriages licensed for that purpose within the City. A very respectable citizen, the proprietor of a livery stable, sets forth the cost of a pair of horses, harness, and carriage, the high price of feed and rent of stable, the wages of the driver, and the expense of wear and tear, and draws from it all the conclusion that the rates usually charged for this service are totally unremunerative. On the other hand, a correspondent of moderate complaints "cannot afford to ride in a hired carriage, or will do so if they can possibly avoid it. He finds that if a coach is engaged at a livery stable for a two hours' service the usual charge is five to seven dollars; if he calls the commonest old hack from the nearest stand to take a member of his family to a railroad depot or steam-boat dock, the driver will usually insist upon two dollars, and will annoy and worry him the money's worth if he does not submit. He therefore never calls for a coach except in cases of rare emergency. When hastily leave town they commit their trunks to the tender mercies of the nearest hackman, or express agencies, the baggage express, and then walk to the nearest omnibus or street-car, and thus escape the extortion.

Each of these is right, in a measure, and yet we are persuaded that both could be satisfied if their interests were but harmonized. It may sound like a paradox to say that an expensive establishment, which barely sustains itself at the present exorbitant rates, might be made far more profitable if the interests of the citizen who cannot now afford to ride were met with a liberal concession, but this contains the solution of the whole difficulty.

The uncertainty of the exaction when a hack is called is the stand by one of the reasons why so few are thus engaged. For years the legal charge has been, for carrying one passenger not exceeding one mile, fifty cents; two passengers the same distance, seventy-five cents; one passenger, over one and not over two miles a mile, seventy-five cents; and each additional passenger, thirty-seven and a half cents—in every case allowing one trunk, box, valise or bag to each passenger, without extra charge, and only six cents for each additional trunk. Unless these rates are "fixed and displayed" in the carriage, no charge can be legally made for its use; and if the driver demand more than the legal fee, he cannot thereafter collect any pay from the passenger. For a long time no attention whatever has been given to this ordinance by the licensed hackmen of this city. The list of prices, if in the carriage at all, are fixed beneath the cushion, or elsewhere out of sight, and policemen have been strangely invisible while an abusive hackman has refused to deliver the passenger's baggage unless he paid three or four times the legal rate, even though he made as much noise in the wrangle as a whole political convention.

Recently the Mayor proposed a revision of the nominal rates on a system prepared by Alderman LAWRENCE JEROME, giving $1 as the smallest rate for transporting one passenger in a two-horse vehicle, and increasing the rest of the list in about the same proportion, but this drew out a prompt remonstrance from the hackmen who were not satisfied with the extra allowance. This proposition is now in the hands of the proper committee of the Common Council, who have not submitted their report. The prices and conditions we have named above are, therefore, the legal limit today, but they have no effect in restraining the extortions of the drivers of public hacks and coaches.

Whatever the legal rates are, if they could be duly established and assented to, so that every man who called a carriage knew exactly what he was expected to pay, and felt assured that no more would be asked of him, the demand for the service would at once be largely increased. With many it is not so much a high price as an uncertainty about the rate that restricts their use of these conveyances.

The great reform, however, is to be found in a large reduction in price. The moderate and judicious use of a pair of horses all day about the city will keep them in better condition than comes from the long and weary hours of waiting. At twenty-five cents a passenger, the entire disposable outfit of hacks, cabs and coaches might come to have full employment, and would earn, making due allowance for the extra wear of the carriage, more than they can hope for at existing rates. Few give their transit to an expressman without misgivings. If he calls at the house for it, it is nearly an equal chance if he take it to the right station and have it there in time; if he collects the checks, and is to bring it to your house from the depot, he never, or not one time in a hundred, has it delivered until your patience is sorely tried. It would take a couple of passengers and a trunk to and from most would prefer it; but if this could be done for sixty or seventy-five cents, it would be chosen by everybody. We have at hand, as we write this, a letter from a Portland merchant who has just passed through this City, and who jumped into a carriage at the Sturtevant House to ride three blocks to the New-Haven depot. He had a carpet-bag in his hand, and was willing to pay fifty cents for this short ride. He was charged $1, or twice the legal fare, which he paid after some remonstrance. The next time he comes through the City he will walk, carrying his bag in his hand; and thus every such imposition will diminish the demand and limit the success of the calling.

We are satisfied that the business of carrying passengers about the City in hired carriages will not prosper as it should until there is the willing and hearty adoption on the part of the carriers of a lower fixed rate for such service. It would be far better, even for the interest represented, than the City authorities should enforce the rates as they now stand, than that a new ordinance doubling the legal charge should be adopted. Any company that would undertake in good faith to do this service at a reasonable charge, and no stranger is that not a cent more would be exacted by the drivers, might have a patronage that would insure a fortune. But as it is now, and is likely to be for some time to come, the people cannot afford this means of conveyance, and will avoid it whenever possible.

THE RACES AT HALIFAX.

The Rival Crews and Their Training—Preparations for the Contest—The Royal Yacht Club Race on the 1st Inst.

The Boston *Journal* has an interesting letter from Halifax, under date of Aug. 6, relating mainly to the preparations for the three days of racing for sailing and rowing craft of every description, to commence on the 9th inst., from which we extract the following:

"The four-oared gig race, on the second day, (Aug. 10,) is looked forward to with an interest to which all the other contests are subservient. At last nine started and are expected. These will be the Rosebuds away and another Eve arrived from England. Of the first ELLSWORTH is the only man who crossed the Atlantic to contend for the championship of the world last year; and in the second crew are two men—TAYLOR and WILSHIRE—who pulled with ELLSWORTH at Lachine in August, 1870. New-Brunswick will send her Paris crew, an Indian-town crew, a Straightshore crew, and perhaps a fourth. Halifax will be represented by both PYNE, Barton and Roche crews. The fifth is a crew composed of fishermen, and the latter is termed the Mechanics' crew, being composed of two ship-carpenters and two sailmakers. There is talk of still another crew to row in a six boat. The prize of $250, given by the Government for the first Nova Scotia crew in the race, has given a stimulus to local excitement. It is by no means certain, however, that all of these crews will come to the starting point. First in importance of the Halifax crews is the Pryor crew, now in training at the Club-house of the Royal Halifax Yacht Club, which is pleasantly situated on the Narrows, and has every convenience in the way of piers, slips, and boat-houses. As a sporting man, Mr. JAMES PRYOR, who raised and is training this crew, has long been identified with boat racing in Halifax Harbor. The boat in which the men are to pull was built under his personal supervision, and here it is to be believed his experience will tell; it is the fond belief of Haligonians that the Halifax men will find their unsuited for the 'lop' of Halifax Harbor, and that they will not be able to work to advantage as on the smooth waters where their prowess has heretofore been displayed. But Halifax is not given to boasting, nor does it look for an easy victory, but some for a fair field and no favor, wishing that the best man may win. The Pryor crew pull a six-mile course twice a day. They are fed on nutricious food, taking milk and eggs in the morning and consuming large quantities of lean mutton and beef. They indulge in no spirituous or malt liquors, and physically compare favorably with any of their opponents. Their boat is a long, and powerful, sending their practice-boat splashing through the water like a thing of life, to the intense satisfaction of the members of the Yacht Club, who lounge upon the piers or the verandah.

The Barton, sometimes called the Tangier, crew, was also raised and equipped by a private individual, Mr. ADAMS BARTON, who is engaged in gold-mining in Tangier. Barton has had some practice at the latter place, but are now quartered at Halifax. They will row in a new boat, built by ELLIOTT, of New-York. Her dimensions have not yet been made public; and, indeed, concerning the movements of all of the Halifax crews, there is maintained a secrecy which strikes one as rather absurd. Such was not the case at Lachine last year, when every detail concerning each individual member of the rival crews, their boats and manner of training, was given to the public beforehand. As a Halifax paper pertinently remarks: 'The race is not supposed to be a private affair, and as the public is no occasion for such profound secrecy regarding the Halifax participants in it.' There will be every facility for seeing the races, even should one hundred thousand people invade Halifax. I wish I could speak as hopefully of hotel accommodations; but the hotels are already filled, and what is to be done with the expected crowd is an quite as a loss to imagine. The Yacht Club will, however, do the best to secure accommodation for all.

THE PRINCE OF WALES CUP.

The annual race for the Prince of Wales Cup, a magnificent piece of plate presented by His Royal Highness the Prince of WALES, the patron of the Royal Halifax Yacht Club, was sailed for on the 1st inst. Six yachts entered, but only five started, three of which soon fell astern, leaving two, the *Whisper* and the *Nymphia*, to contend for the prize. The *Whisper* is a sloop of seventeen tons, and was sailed by her owner, JOHN TAYLOR WARD, the commander of the Confederate cruiser *Tallahassee*, in the late unpleasantness. The *Nymphia* is twelve tons, sloop-rigged forward, and schooner-rigged aft. She is owned and was sailed by S. A. WHITE, Esq., a successful merchant of Halifax, and a devoted and skilful yachtsman. On the occasion he handled his yacht so cleverly as to elicit the admiration of the old salts who congregated on the wharves. The *Whisper* was not so well sailed. It was noticed that when on the wind she was frequently in irons, and when running before the wind her sheets were trimmed too flat at to enable her huge mainsail to get the full force of the breeze. In beating out the harbor the *Nymphia* secured and held the weather position for a time, but finally gave way to the *Whisper*. For some time both vessels were hidden from sight, and it was later reported that they were becalmed for nearly an hour. When they came into view, standing up the harbor, they had the wind nearly dead aft, and, with all their flying canvas spread, made a very pretty picture indeed. The *Nymphia* had set a watersail, which did good service, and she came in by a length or two astern of her competitor. There was no chance in position as they passed the wharves, but on reaching the Narrows one passed to port and the other to larboard of the flag-ship *Royal Alfred*. The wind had been sluggish and baffling all day; but here a stray gust favored the *Nymphia*, and she soon hauled the *Whisper* astern. The latter set an anchor, coming in half a length ahead, and winning the race by those seconds, irrespective of some five minutes' time allowance. The remaining yachts pluckily sailed the course, coming in later with their crews drenched by a sudden and heavy rain-storm. The following resolutions, with regard to the Prince of Wales Cup, were passed at a meeting of the Club on the 3rd of September, 1867:

*Resolved

THE PRESS ON THE RING.

From the Albany Express.

The TIMES gives TWEED, Co. another broadside by publishing some of the peculations of the City Pay-rolls. It first refers to the vandal enterprise in which "Boss" TWEED is engaged.

Delhi (Delaware County) Express.

The exposition by the NEW-YORK TIMES of the wholesale robberies of the tax-payers by the Democratic officials in New-York are so astounding that the greatest excitement prevails among all classes of the community. We shall give to our readers a portion of the evidence adduced to show how the rascals are operating; for the same horde of Democratic vampires that rule the Metropolis control the State Government; and unless checked by the people the rural districts will soon become the victims in common with those of New-York.

Fluvanna Sentinel.

The enormity and unconsciousness of these frauds can only be appreciated by reading carefully and critically the figures furnished by the TIMES. We therefore devote a large share of the inside of our paper this week to the publication of the articles from the TIMES containing those facts and figures. Our readers will be perfectly astounded at their perusal.

Westchester Yeomanry Commercial.

We present this week a comprehensive description by our New-York correspondent of the nature and the effect of the recent exposure by the NEW-YORK TIMES of the frauds of Tammany Hall. The ownership of the Times in making these disclosures is established. It is the enterprising and fearless organ of the people not appointed, who dare do anything more than assail the motives or question the taste of the course taken by the TIMES.

Rochester Express.

There appears to be no movement on the part of Mayor HALL and his associates to disprove the terrible charges of the TIMES. But, if admitted, can any more fitting occasion ever arise to show bigger scoundrels than these now drawing pay as public officers in New-York City?

Cincinnati Intelligencer, (Ind. Dem.)

The recent disclosures of the corruption existing in official circles made by the NEW-YORK TIMES, are startling and unparalleled. What seems to have been previously a matter of irresistible conviction, forced upon the public by the fact in the case of men who had mysteriously become millionaires, has been clearly established by the publication of a portion of the accounts in the books of the Controller's office. These remarkable exhibits have now been before the public for several weeks, and up to the present time there has been no denial of their accuracy.

We are drifting on steadily and surely to a calamitous condition of our affairs. If the present opportunity for a reckoning be lost—if the thunders of a popular condemnation do not shake the combination to utter ruin, and the blazing shafts of indignation do not blast the conspiracy, the public can never again hope to purge the present condition of our municipal affairs; there will be an insurance on corruption and fraud which will secure a long lease of operations—which will be developed in a disastrous reaction. It may come in the provocation of a religious test; it may be developed by a clive prosecution—it may be in political dissensions; but the history of the base combination of unscrupulous and wealthy tax-payer takers, stimulated by designing leaders, but the disasters are as certain as the causes, and when they come, as come they will, the public will lament, bear the terrible penalty, submit to the burden of the outbreak, and move on to a possible repetition at some future time.

The public morals, of good order of enlightened legislation, and of popular rights and interests, makes an imperative demand for reform. It is impossible to get honest and capable men to fill our public positions? Is it a forlorn hope to dream that we shall ever have a return to the days of honesty in our public servants? Certainly, the position of Justices, where the Cowdreys, Cornells, Lawrences and Hoffmans were seen in our City Councils? What will lead us the way?

Boston Commonwealth.

The exposure of the wholesale thefts by the controlling clients of the City of New-York have a fatal fitness than many legal lexicons. It is most timely now men revel in more than oriental magnificence, with their elegant town houses, country villas, steam yachts, superb horses, and all the accompaniments which wealth and greenness combined may show, that their doings attract universal attention, and that they become convicted swindlers is the lessening to which they will be consigned by all honest men. It is because these vast sums have never been earned only to minister to personal gratification, but to corrupt and pervert elections, control local and national governments that the scandal and shame of it interests to every citizen of the United States.

Washington Star.

The NEW-YORK TIMES is now showing up some of the peculiarities of the pay-roll of Boss TWEED and his confrères of the Tammany Ring.

San Francisco Alta.

The newspapers of New-York are shooting hot shot into the Tammany magazine, and the blaze of corruption is less flame that had followed) emits odors of the most damnable character.

Herkimer Journal.

These fellows are Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and in their anxiety to sustain the toppling credit of the City, cry out, "The City is safe;" but the evil TIMES has fallen upon us, and they look nothing but the ruin of the City's credit. Like *Jeremy Swindler*, who, when found with the stolen egg in his pocket, they cry out, "Search me, if it is not there." But they soon find out that a sort of native sprite is around that likes a mighty fever, kindled by a sudden storm, has seen until its sanctions as over flow of its banks, from being very tame, suddenly chafes, and, almost bursting bounds, will not easily dwindle away again.

Syracuse (N. Y.) Republican.

There is quite a sensation among New-York City officials caused by the revelations made by the NEW-YORK TIMES of the form ... lously that have perpetrated under ... Government. Whether a full and fair investigation can be had whether the tax-payers can deliver themselves from the Democratic Ring, is more than now possible to say. The City is now in the hands of the Democratic Irish. As the New-York World seems as a loss how to bolster up its friends, perhaps, now that the campaign is over in this State, the party of this friends could devote a few of its energetic, ranged men, who in 1870 and 1871 have shown such ability when needed, and to secure the people on their virtue that they never had tied or deceived the public. Their may be need of their services as peculiar in the splendid Democratic City.

Syracuse Advertiser.

A letter addressed to Mayor HALL by a formidable list of bankers and merchants of New-York firmly informs him that he must make a detailed statement of the expenditures of the City Government. No man can receive a letter like this, coming from men of high rank, without knowing that it indicts him for crime.

Baltimore American.

The NEW-YORK TIMES continues to show up some of the peculiarities of the pay-rolls of Tweed and the Tammany Ring. The illustrations of all this official corruption come so rich and fast that the vastness of the scheme for organized robbery seems to be almost beyond comprehension.

Albany Evening Journal.

The further chapter of Tammany Government, which we copy elsewhere from the TIMES is as suggestive and damaging in its way as any which have preceded it. It tells more of the secrets of Tammany's power and success than the enormous pay-roll and numberless sinecures are the talisman by which it conjures victory. It hires a vast army of mercenaries, who have nothing to do but advance its political schemes, and for this dirty work it pays them from the public treasury. The style of argument of the defenders of Tammany demonstrates very plainly a consciousness of overwhelming guilt on the part of the Democratic leaders, and that their "best hope" is to confuse the question as much as possible with quibble and extraneous questions, and cast as much doubt upon the whole matter as they can.

Pottsville (Penn.) Miners' Journal.

Of the many millions of dollars which have been stolen from the tax-payers of New-York by the Tammany Ring, it is charged, and we believe with truth, that some of it was sent with other States for corrupt partisan purposes in the interest of the Democracy. Tammany has, without doubt, used some of its stolen money in this way, and in a matter for congratulation that the exposure of its infamous management and extravagance will lessen its power to ... such outrages in the future.

Albany Evening Journal.

If MAYOR HALL is so willing "to lay everything open," there is one very easy and unexceptionable way of doing it, and that is to give the accounts in full to the whole public. This the Press and the people have strenuously demanded; this the City functionaries ignore; this the incriminated officials have repeatedly promised. But demands, injunctions and promises have been alike in vain. The complete and explicit exposition has been in the hands of the delinquents for weeks. It was pledged to the public many days ago. Yet it is not forthcoming, and Mayor HALL and his co-mates obviously intend to keep it out of sight. Is it from fears of voluntarily signing the death-warrant which their selected villainies are fast preparing for them.

New-Haven Palladium.

The public will be satisfied with nothing but the accounts so long illegally withheld, and, though promised, not yet produced. The French and German Democratic papers published in New-York have turned against the Ring, as have also some of the Democratic papers in the West. With the exception of their paid organs in New-York, TWEED & CO. have no defenders, unless we count their voluntary apologists in Canada.

Buffalo Commercial Advertiser.

If there is anything in the accounts of the City and County of New-York which HALL and COMMOLLY are ashamed of, they have no right to expect the Chamber of Commerce to help them out of their scrape. If the accounts are perfectly fair and square, why are they not published, so that the people and the tax-payers may see what has become of their money?

Pittsfield Journal.

We know how prone the best of our citizens are to neglect public affairs, but we hardly think that they will forget the enormous burden heaped upon New-York, and the fact that the fling are infusing into our State Government corruptions similar to those of the City—as witness the canal management. Besides, we shall be surprised if the Press does not keep the people's memory green.

Syracuse Journal.

The ground taken by Mr. OPDYKE is correct. Nothing short of a public statement of accounts, including detailed vouchers, will satisfy the public.

Court Calendars—This Day.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Call of Calendar at 10 ½ M.

Nos.		Nos.	
93—	The People ex rel. Sil. version vs. Fitch.	117—	Jones vs. De Grenelle et al.
98—	Jacobs et al. vs. Goldstein.	122—	Kiely vs. Marks.
97—	Cheesman vs. Bugger.	123—	Bullmann vs. Bultmann.
98—	Sherman vs. Hermann.	124—	Day vs. Tibbets.
99—	Martin vs. Grant et al.	125—	Day vs. Potter.
104—	Haas vs. Pinehole.	127—	Hilstrom vs. Shepard.
108—	Bowsfield vs. Maly.	128—	Shepherd vs. Shepherd.
112—	Reed vs. Brown.	140—	Malcolm vs. Allen et al.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The meeting in Hyde Park, London, yesterday, to protest against the recent suppression of the Fenian amnesty meeting in Dublin, was attended by 20,000 persons, and speeches were made by prominent Radical speakers at different stands. The reported rioting in Londonderry, on the 12th inst., is denied. A few personal encounters took place, but no general disturbance. The Police force was under arms throughout Saturday and Sunday. Commodore ASHBURY has reconsidered his determination not to send the yacht *Livonia* to America. She is to have an alteration of her keel. Her spars will subsequently be reduced, and she will then sail for New-York in place of the *Cambria*. The gun-cotton explosion at Stowmarket was terribly destructive of life and limb. Twelve persons were instantly killed or fatally injured, and forty others were severely or slightly wounded.

The French Priest regard the vote of inquiry in the Assembly, on Saturday, on the motions affecting M. THIERS' office, as favorable to M. THIERS, as the opponents of the prolongation of his term desired to postpone the question indefinitely. Two soldiers who deserted to the ranks of the Commune, during the civil war, have been sentenced to death. The Paris City Council have voted to raise a loan of 250,000,000 francs, to be used for the rebuilding and repair of edifices destroyed or injured during the reign of the Commune.

The Pope, in an encyclical letter, urges the offering of prayers for the freedom of the Holy See and the triumph and tranquility of the Church. The *Official Gazette* of the Italian Government contains decrees expropriating for public use two convents and other property of religious bodies in Rome. The Minister of Finance opposes another issue of rentes.

The German Government, as well as the Berlin authorities, have adopted the most stringent measures for the prevention of the spread of the cholera. Twenty-three persons were attacked with the disease at Konigsberg on Friday, thirteen of whom are already dead. No cases of cholera have appeared in the south of Russia. The mission of the United States Treasury agents at Frankfort has been successfully closed.

GENERAL.

The people of Hudson, N. Y., experienced a sense of relief yesterday, in the peaceful reopening of the Roman Catholic Church in that city. The church was taken charge of on Saturday by Rev. D. J. BROWN, Secretary to Bishop CONROY, of Albany, who officiated yesterday. Rev. Mr. O'SULLIVAN is virtually suspended from the pastorate of the church, and a successor will probably be appointed before next Sunday.

Mrs. VALLANDIGHAM, widow of the late C. L. VALLANDIGHAM, died in Camberland at 11½ A. M. yesterday.

The President has signed the unconditional pardon of TRAVIS BURDWINE, convicted in the Eastern District Court of Arkansas, on the 18th of April, 1871, of illicit distillation of liquors, and sentence suspended on account of the poverty, age, and feeble health, as well as ignorance of the law on the part of the prisoner.

Advices from Tucson, Arizona, to the 29th of July, state that Gen. CROOK'S campaign against the Apache Indians is proceeding vigorously. He is confident of reducing the savages to submission if he is not interfered with by the Peace Commission.

The steam-ship *Ajax*, from Honolulu, with mails and passengers from Auckland, New-Zealand, per steam-ship *Nevada*, July 13, has arrived at San Francisco. She brings no Australian news.

A Washington telegram says that as soon as official advice of the receipt of Gen. PLEASONTON'S decision relating to the taxation of borrowed capital has reached the Bureau of Internal Revenue, the decision will be recalled. At present there is no change from the former decision, that such capital shall pay tax.

MARGARET WILLIS, eighty years of age, a native of Halifax, was run over and killed by an express train on Friday evening in Lynn, Mass.

The Commission of CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS as arbitrator under the Treaty of Washington, was signed by the Secretary of State at Long Branch and forwarded to Mr. ADAMS.

The Emancipation bill has passed its second reading in the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies. The superintendent of the San Paulo Railroad has been acquitted of the charges against him.

The Massachusetts Republican Executive Committee met on Saturday and voted not to assume the responsibility of changing the time as fixed by the General Committee, of holding the State Convention—Sept. 20. The Committee decided to invite Gen. BANKS to preside at the Convention.

A cold-blooded murder was committed on Thursday night, thirteen miles from Denver, on the Platte River. GEORGE M. BONACINA and Mrs. NEWTON, his sister, were shot by a German farm-hand named THEODORE MYERS. BONACINA is dead and Mrs. NEWTON will probably die. MYERS is still at large, but a considerable reward is offered for his arrest. Mrs. NEWTON thinks that MYERS was hired to murder them.

The total imports at this port for the past week amount to $9,680,473, against $6,814,148 for the corresponding week of last year.

During the past week there were twenty-one fires in this City, causing a damage of $66,115; insured for $136,375.

SAMUEL BUXLEM, living in Cherokee County, Kansas, was convicted last week and sentenced to twenty-one years in the Penitentiary for outraging the person of his own daughter and repeating the offence at different times.

WM. W. PRESCOTT, of California, who was employed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate, has been appointed Journal and Minute Clerk of the Senate, to fill the vacancy created by the death of JOHN C. BURCH.

THOMAS MCCUE, employed in COLLINS' brewery, in Philadelphia, was smothered in a fermentation vat, into which he fell while descending to clean it out.

The returns recently received show that the crops are in better condition than was reported in July, including corn and cotton. A letter from Arkansas says that although the acreage of cotton is not so large as last year, the crop will be equally as large.

The "Two Per Cent." Fraud Exposed.

There is one fact connected with the Controller's last "statement" of the debt of the City and County, deserving of special attention. It contains the first intimation, or confession rather, which has emanated from the City authorities, of the shameful imposition that was practiced upon the taxpayers in relation to the famous "Two per Cent." TAX LEVY which excited so much discussion last winter. This bill, it will be remembered, was presented to the public, and advocated in the Legislature, as a "measure of reform" and economy—a sort of curbbit which the "Ring" voluntarily placed upon their greedy jaws to restrain their natural tendency to extravagance. NATHANIEL SANDS, who was reputed to be the originator of the scheme, was especially active in announcing its virtues, and induced many worthy men to indorse the measure, among them the ever-verdant PETER COOPER, who wrote private letters to several Republican Senators urging them to vote for it. The public was given to understand, and the bill itself so represented, that all the expenses of the City and County Government for the present year, including the interest on the debt and such part of the principal as should fall due this year, *was to be paid out of a tax of two per cent. on the assessed valuation of the real and personal property of the City.* Section 3 of the act reads as follows:

"From the sum so raised in each of said years (1871 and 1872) shall be paid all the expenses of the City and County Government for all their departments and purposes for each of said years, *and also the interest on the City and County debts, the principal of said debts falling due*, and the proportion of the State tax payable by said City and county in each of said years respectively; and no liabilities shall be incurred for any purpose in either of said years which shall, with the State tax for said year, and the principal and interest of the City and county debts payable in such year, make the aggregates of the expenses of the City and County Governments, together, for each of said years, amount to more than two per cent. on the valuation aforesaid, with the addition hereinbefore provided."

The "addition hereinbefore provided" was simply this: if the quota of the State tax assigned to New-York should exceed the quota of 1870, then such excess might be added to the two per cent, but not otherwise.

This "Two per Cent" TAX LEVY, as is well known, passed the Legislature by the same kind of bribery which the Albany *Argus* says has been used to pass all TAX LEVIES for years past—though, to the credit of the Republicans in the Legislature be it said, that not a man of them in either House, with the exception of ORANGE S. WILKINS, voted for it. Now let us see how the "Ring" went to work to annul all those provisions of the bill which had made it acceptable to anybody except the "Ring," and secured for it the indorsement of men like PETER COOPER. In the bill to "Consolidate the City Debt," which was represented as an innocent measure, designed merely to get rid of the confusion arising from so many outstanding bonds with different titles, and to simplify the debt, the following clause was cunningly inserted as part of section 2:

"Consolidated City stock may also be issued in pursuance of this act to *pay off and cancel any bonds or stocks of said City fully due in the year 1871, and also the amount required to be raised in said year for the annual installments on any stocks of said City*, and also for the *payment to the several Gas Companies of the City of New-York of the amount due to said companies prior to the first day of January, 1871.*"

The bill to "consolidate the County debt," which is a counterpart of the one relating to the City debt, provides, in addition to the above, that consolidated stock may also be issued "to meet the requisitions on the County of New-York, by the State, for the payment of the County debt in said year." It will thus be seen that a very large share of the payments that were required by the "Two per Cent." bill to be made out of the taxes collected this year, are, by this trick of legislation, turned over to the bond-issuing bureau to be added to the permanent debt of the City. The total amount of these payments no one can tell, but it appears that even the gas bills of past years have been left unpaid in order that the Ring might have more money to divide among themselves. CONNOLLY has never told the public how much was due for gas on the 1st of January, 1871, but in his last "statement" we find, among the payments for July, one item of $212,566 85 under the head of "Consolidated debt fund—pay of gas bills in arrear." There may be, and probably are, a dozen more bills still in arrear.

But the greatest fraud to be perpetrated on our tax-payers, under cover of this "Consolidated Debt" act, is yet to be told. As before stated, we have an inkling of it, for the first time, in CONNOLLY'S statement for July. In all his previous statements he has taken special pains to impress upon the public that the "Revenue Bonds" which he classed under the head of "temporary debt" were issued only in anticipation of the taxes to be collected this year, and were to be redeemed out of those taxes as soon as collected. But in his July statement, while still trying to keep up the deception, he admits in his comments that $6,313,000 of these Revenue bonds are to be "redeemed from the proceeds of the consolidated debt loan," and refers, for authority to do this, to "Chapter 322, laws of 1871." Now this "Chapter 322, laws of 1871," is the identical Consolidated Debt act; and the only authority it gives him to pay off the revenue bonds by converting them into consolidated debt bonds, is contained in the extract from the law above quoted. It gives him the same authority to pay off all the revenue bonds in this way that it does to pay the $6,313,000. The July statement shows that CONNOLLY has already issued $23,700,700 of these REVENUE bonds, in anticipation of this year's taxes. The total amount which the "Two per Cent." Tax Levy permits to be raised this year by taxation is twenty-three millions of dollars. He has full authority, therefore, under the Consolidated act (and it is evident he intends to exercise it) to convert the entire amount of this year's taxes into a permanent debt, and thus leave the twenty-three million, when it is collected, to be distributed among his "Ring" confederates, or applied to the perpetuation of their power.

In the light of these facts, what has PETER COOPER and the other gentlemen who were betrayed into supporting the "two per cent." fraud, to say about the imposition practiced upon them? Can they continue to put faith in the "Ring," or in their purchased tool, SANDS? Instead of the City and County Government being supported the present year from a two per cent. tax on the property, it would be easy to show that the expenditures, including stealings, for the year 1871 will amount to *nearly seven per cent.* of the real and personal property of the City and County. The special appropriations authorized by the last Legislature, for which the bonds of the City are to be issued, amount to over twenty millions of dollars. The Revenue bonds, which are to be converted into a permanent debt, have already been issued to the extent of $23,700,000. The principal of the debt falling due this year, together with the old gas bills, and the City's quota of the bounty debt, (all of which should have been paid out of this year's taxes,) will probably amount to ten millions of dollars more. Add to these sums the twenty-three millions of dollars to be raised under the "Two per Cent." bill, and we have $75,700,000 as the amount to be disposed of by the "Ring" in 1871—or nearly seven per cent. of the total valuation of property in the City and County.

The Hare's Nest at the Post.

The *Evening Post* may fairly claim the credit of inventing more cock-and-bull stories than all the other papers in the City put together. When there is no news, it sits down and makes some. The number of times it has positively announced that Secretary FISH had resigned is past counting. Its readers, however, must remember that for upward of a twelvemonth it has been stating every other week that the "resignation of Mr. FISH had been sent in." Of course this statement, like the prediction of a man's death, is bound to come true some day or other; but the *Post* has never had any excuse whatever for making it.

Tired of letting its imagination play round the Secretary of State, it now sets to work experimenting upon the TIMES. On Saturday it published an elaborate story about this journal having come to an understanding with Mr. TWEED for the establishment of a hybrid sort of Government in the City after the retirement of HALL and CONNOLLY. It is weary work to have to contradict such stories at all, but many people believe that the *Evening Post* is still under the direction of Mr. BRYANT, and this gives its assertions an importance which they would not possess if the real facts were known. It may, therefore, be advisable to state that in the *Post's* rigmarole about us on Saturday there is not one word of truth from beginning to end—that it is all sheer invention, and that the person who wrote the article is what a distinguished journalist, farmer, and candidate for the Presidency, would call a "liar"—but as we like to "keep cool" we will not use strong language. Nevertheless, the writer in the *Post* is unquestionably the thing described by that word. The TIMES has not consulted with anybody as to the future of the City Government, it has made no "arrangements" whatever, it is perfectly free and unfettered, and it desires only to secure an honest Government for the City and to turn the rogues out. Our support shall be given to any men, Democrats or Republicans, whose character before the public affords a satisfactory guarantee that they will act in good faith and refrain from stealing. We are happy to say that we have had no communication whatever with Mr. TWEED, directly or indirectly, and indeed our knowledge of him is chiefly derived from the *World*, TWEED'S organ, which says that he is a dishonest bankrupt and a swindler. If the *World* does not know the private character of its own patrons, who should?

We must depend upon our readers' common sense and spirit of justice to deal with the innumerable reports which are circulated about us by the Tammany organs. Since they cannot disprove the *facts* we allege against their masters, they are obliged to fall back upon abuse of us—and of that we do not complain. But we can scarcely be expected to contradict all the silly stories which are set afloat, while it appears to be necessary to take one as an example now and then and crush it. The *Post* we charge with bringing forward a false statement. The truth is that the *Post* is at heart a Tammany paper, although now and then an article creeps into its columns which squints the other way. There are many reasons why it should support Tammany—among others, a sort of fellow feeling for men like HALL and CONNOLLY which naturally exists in the *Post* office. It is a very curious fact that men who have been charged with misappropriating the public money sympathize with anybody whom they happen to see in the same "scrape."

Poor Pay, Poor Preach.

The investigation made by order of the Secretary of the Treasury into the circumstances connected with the explosion of the *Westfield's* boiler has been so thorough that the Coroner's inquest can hardly bring any new facts to light. The result is confusing and unsatisfactory—a mass of conflicting opinions from men, some of whom are able and competent, and most of whom are supposed to be scientific or practical. One point, however, has been brought out with very unpleasant clearness—that the official inspection of boilers, although not quite useless, cannot be relied upon as a trustworthy test of soundness. Hydrostatic pressure, which is chiefly relied upon in these inspections, fails to test the resisting strength of the boiler-plates to steam pressure. Steam finds out weak places, and bursts open concealed fissures which the hydraulic press fails to detect.

But it is to another important fact revealed by the investigation that we direct attention at present. It is manifest that the inspectors, as a body, are entirely without scientific training or scientific knowledge. They are ignorant of well-established facts and theories with regard to the production and operation of steam and the working of the steam-engine. More than this, they do not appear to know, or at least to comprehend, the operation of the elementary physical facts and laws which control the action of the terrible power which man has made his servant. Of the real meaning of atmospheric pressure and hydrostatic pressure they seem to know little, and of the way—the scientific way—of calculating and apportioning those pressures, they know nothing. As to a scientific knowledge of the action of expansive forces, or of the strength of materials, they are as ignorant of them as of the procession of the equinoxes. About all these matters they all seem, in the words of one of them, to be able only to "make an examination and rely upon their judgment." A calculation based upon established laws and formulas is not only beyond their powers, but something as to the necessity of which they have yet to be instructed.

This is no new revelation to those who were acquainted with the composition of the Boards of Steam-boat and Boiler Inspectors. The examination and licensing of all the steam-boats in the United States is committed to a body of men distributed over the country at the various principal seaboard and inland ports, and who are known as the Local Boards of Inspectors. These are the men who do the actual work of inspection, and the examination and licensing of engineers. Upon their knowledge of the force and action of steam, the construction of boilers, the strength of materials and the working of the steam-engine, upon their faithful discharge of their duty, their firmness in resisting the tempting offers of rich steam-boat owners—depend the safety of all those that travel by water. And now, what do our readers think is the pay of these men, who have so grave a responsibility, who are exposed to such temptations, and who should have such thorough knowledge of their business, both scientific and practical? From twelve to eighteen hundred dollars a year. Is it reasonable to expect much scientific knowledge and incorruptible integrity, combined with daily labor, on those terms? Have we a right to demand all the cardinal virtues, and a thorough scientific education, for eighteen hundred a year? Why, men do better than that by running fishing-boats to the Cholera Banks, by lightering for the incorruptible Health Officer of the port, or by doing nothing for the still more incorruptible Government of the City.

This is not all, however. These Local Boards are under the direction of Supervising Inspectors. The whole country is divided into nine districts, in each of which there is a Supervising Inspector. These form the Board of Supervising Inspectors, which meets once a year, discusses the whole subject of steam-boat navigation, and prepares a report to the Secretary of the Treasury, in which recommendations are made which often pass into laws. These men, there being only nine of them, have vast regions under their supervision, over which they are obliged to travel; they are the superior officers and the guides and counselors of the Local Inspectors—and these men, nine picked men of the country, who certainly should be masters in their profession, thoroughly trained in science and in practice, what is their pay? $2,300 a year. Now, is it not just a little bit absurd that we should assign such salaries to such positions as these, and then make an ado when we find they are not filled by men of scientific acquirement and inflexible integrity? And yet more; these men, particularly those of the higher grade, are removable at the caprice of the appointing power, or at the dictation of an influential member of Congress. It is a fact that the Supervising Inspector of this most important district has been changed three times within the last eighteen months, and, we believe, not upon charges of incompetency or corruption. In places subject to such vicissitudes, can we look for scientific men of high character? The Board of Supervising Inspectors, at least, should be composed of men with a thorough scientific knowledge of their business. Such men should be well paid, and be reasonably secure of their positions, and not feel that they are likely to be thrown over at a month's notice, during their best years, and cast aside like a worn-out shoe when they grow old. The truth is, that this steam-boat inspection is a characteristic example of the wretched and rotten condition of our whole civil service. When we appoint men for their fitness, and not for political favor, when we pay them what they are worth, and increase their pay moderately every five years, they remain in the public employment, and secure them of a retiring pension after a certain term of service, we shall be well and faithfully served; and until then we shall not deserve such service, but to have for our poor pay, poor preach.

The Early Bird.

There are a good many rejoinders to the proverb about the early bird getting the worm, one of which is that it is not absolutely necessary to have a worm—that nobody wants it, and that upon the whole life can be spent in tolerable comfort without a worm. This reply goes straight to the point. When people preach about early rising, they ought to be told to do it if they like, but to let other people do as they like also. The *Spectator* recently had a very sensible article on the subject. It is a pity that hotel-keepers at the sea-side and elsewhere do not lay its lessons to heart. The greatest drawback attending out-of-town excursions from Saturday to Monday consists in the unearthly hours at which a poor tired-out wretch is obliged to get up in the morning. On Saturday night the merry-makers in the house "keep it up" till very late, and then make as much noise in the passages as they can on their way to bed—hailing each other in loud tones, or screaming out messages from room to room. The next morning you will find that there is no sleep to be had after 6 o'clock. On Monday morning, before 5 o'clock, there is a tremendous rumpus all over the house, as if everybody had gone mad—a thumping at doors and a clatter along the passages enough to wake the dead. By the time the excursionist returns to town, he is a great deal more tired than when he went away, and wishes he had spent Sunday quietly and like a Christian in his own house.

All this talk about early rising is moonshine. The habit of turning out of bed in the middle of the night suits some people—let them enjoy it. But it is folly to lay down a general rule upon the subject. Some men are fit for nothing all day after they have risen early in the morning. Their energies are deadened, their imaginations are heavy, their spirits are depressed. It is said you can work so well in the morning. *Some* people can—but others can work best at night; others, again, in the afternoon. Long trial and experiment form the only conclusive tests upon these points. As for getting up early because Prof. Gammon has written letters to the papers proving the necessity of it, let no one be goose enough to do it. We all know the model man, aged eighty: "I invariably rise at 5; I work three hours; take a light breakfast—namely, a cracker and a punch of salt—work five hours more; never smoke, never drink anything but barley-water, eat no dinner, and go to bed at 6 in the evening." If anybody finds that donkeyfied sort of life suit him, by all means let him continue it. But few people would care to live to eighty on those terms. If a man cannot get all withered and crumpled up on easier conditions than those, it is almost as well that he should depart before he is a nuisance to himself and a bore to everybody else. School-boys, and young people generally, ought to get up early, for it is found that nine-tenths of them can stand it, and it does them good. But let no one torture himself with the thought that he could have been twice as good a man as he is if he had risen every morning at day-light. The habit would kill half of us in less than five years.

Quarantine Extortions—Combination Necessary.

While our municipal rulers, by their wholesale plunder of the Treasury, are threatening the City with bankruptcy, destroying its credit at home and abroad, and driving capital and business from its limits, another set of harpies, in full sympathy with them, is preying upon the commerce of the port, and threatens, at no distant day, to drive the shipping away from our docks to an extent that will reduce New-York to the second or third commercial port in the Union. The extortions practiced by the present Health Officer, and by the Harbor-masters appointed on the advent of the Democratic Party to power in this State, are so far in excess of anything hitherto known as to make all previous incumbents of those offices appear moderate, and even liberal, in comparison. And yet Dr. SWINBURNE, who preceded Dr. CARNOCHAN in the Health Office, is reported to have amassed a fortune of over half a million dollars during the time he held the position. Dr. CARNOCHAN has now held the office about fifteen months, and at the rate he is going on he bids fair to rival TWEED, SWEENY, CONNOLLY and HALL in the magnificence of his bank account by the time his term expires. There appears to be no limit to the extortions which the Health Officer may impose upon the commerce of the port, except what he sees fit to place upon his own greed and rapacity. The whole system is rotten, and the laws regulating the duties and fees of Health Officer and Harbor-masters need a thorough overhauling.

The reason why the abuses have not been remedied long before this is because there has been no public spirit, no unity of action, and no combined effort among our merchants to bring about a reform. Owing to the same inaction and lack of co-operation, our tax-payers have suffered themselves to be plundered year after year by a "Ring" of thieves, when they had the remedy in their own hands. Instead of combining together to protect themselves in a body, and render a service to the whole community, each individual tax-payer has only looked after himself, and tried to get his own taxes reduced, and to make the best terms he could with the robbers. In the same way, our shipping merchants, instead of uniting together and resisting the extortions of these official harpies, who are ruining the commerce of the City, have sought only to escape from their clutches with as little fleecing as possible, leaving their neighbor to take care of himself. There has not been a time within ten years when the shipping merchants of this City, by united action, could not have secured the requisite legislation at Albany to protect their own interests, and put a stop to the Quarantine and other extortions at this port. As the *Shipping List*, which has often called their attention to the subject, says in its last number: "Cordial co-operation and determined action on the part of the business men of this City would probably release them from the grasp and greed of the corrupt gang who exact unlawful tribute to the extent of millions annually from the commerce of this port."

For years past the business men and capitalists of this City have been warned of the necessity of taking a more active part in the politics and legislation of the City and State. They have suffered the warning to go unheeded, until now they find themselves surrounded by a gang of thieves and adventurers who have their hands on every man's purse, and who are mortgaging the entire property, industry, and commerce of the City, to satisfy their own greed and perpetuate themselves in power. The time has at last come when business and capital must take a hand in public affairs to save themselves from bankruptcy and ruin. The opportunity was never more favorable than now. Will they embrace it?

Report of the Insurance Department.

We have received advance sheets of the report of the Superintendent of the Insurance Department upon life and casualty insurance business in the State of New-York. As yet, the text of the fire report has not made its appearance, and unless it is fuller and more specific than the life report, now at hand, there is no great necessity for its appearing at all.

The Superintendent must have been so occupied with his convention as to have had no time to devote to writing such a report upon the life insurance interests of the State as the public expects and the subject demands. And as matters stand, the Massachusetts department is depended upon to furnish the companies and the community with what is required, by way of analysis, deduction, and suggestion, respecting the life insurance business of last year. It is to be regretted that, after a lapse of more than six months since the companies rendered their statements, this meagre rivulet of text should represent all that the Superintendent has to say on a question in which seven hundred thousand persons are interested to the amount of two billion dollars.

The twenty-four pages which form the text of Mr. MILLER'S life report are rather remarkable for what they omit than for what they contain. Following them, indeed, are several tables containing the condensed figures of the companies' annual statements, but in the preliminary text one looks in vain for anything like an analysis of the present condition of the companies, or for any other practical views upon the great problem of life insurance. The larger part of the report is taken up with quotations from the Superintendent's report of last year, and with the documentary history of the Great Western and Farmers' and Mechanics' failures, all of which were published in the papers months ago, and could hardly be deemed worth reproducing here. The omission of all memoranda respecting the numerous examinations made by Mr. MILLER, during the year, of life companies whose condition suggested inquiry is particularly to be regretted. The public are entitled to know all about these examinations and their results, and we submit that it would prove as important information as that which tells the story of the two companies which actually failed under an investigation. For instance, why are we not placed in possession of the results of Mr. MILLER'S examination of the Anchor, Craftsmen's, Hope, Knickerbocker, Merchants', Metropolitan, National, New-Jersey, and other companies? Not only is no information given on the subject, but no definite reference whatever is made to the fact that these companies were examined at all. We therefore must consider the report remarkable for its negative features.

As we gave months ago the figures representing the situation of the life insurance business at the close of 1870, we need not reproduce them from Mr. MILLER'S report at this late day. It is only necessary, therefore, to draw upon the text for what little of novelty or suggestiveness it may present. Sad to say, the Superintendent charges that the "officers of some companies are not sufficiently careful to be strictly correct in their statements." This is a pretty grave accusation, considering the fact that it involves a charge of perjury, and, not being specific, lies at the door of every one of the offices. Again, we are told that "there have been some instances of dishonest diversion of companies' funds." This, too, is one of those vague charges whose very vagueness is calculated to alarm. Why not give the names of the guilty ones in these cases, instead of thus slinging a slanderous insinuation into the very midst of the circle? It will hardly answer to say that "public policy does not seem to demand" the publication of the facts, for the retort is a natural one. Why excite public suspicion and distrust by vague charges?

Reference is made to the British Commercial and International Companies, both of which have been estopped from operating here, and have been for a year in the hands of receivers. And finally, a brief statement respecting the insurance convention of last May, and an exhibit of the amount of securities deposited by registering companies, (the only table comprised in the text,) closes this very unsatisfactory report, which will content neither the companies nor the public, and which certainly will not add much to its writer's fame.

MINOR TOPICS.

Nothing has yet been done for the arrangement of traffic in West-street, Barclay, Vesey, Murray, and other streets in the same quarter. The ferry-boats will this morning discharge thousands of passengers, and they will be left to fight their way through heaps of rotten fruit and garbage, and across roads completely blocked up by vehicles. How long is this to go on? The condition of Fulton Market, again, is enough to breed a pestilence in the City. Cannot the authorities be induced to turn their attention to this subject, or are they still wholly occupied in inspecting the new Court-house?

Westward the star of Tammany takes its way. What last heard from it was rumored in Rocky Mountains, and was shining with pleasing splendor on the community of Montana. In that Territory the Democrats enjoy almost undisputed supremacy, there being only one Republican in the Lower House of the Legislature, and none in the Council. The Treasurer, a Democrat, refuses to allow his books to be inspected according to the legal Treasurer, while one of the County Treasurers, being detected in peculation, coolly casts his bond from the Clerk's office, and decamped. These circumstances must be regarded as showing that the Democracy of Montana is of a remarkably genuine description.

On the whole, we should say Cleveland was a bad place to get sick in. A Mrs. WARLING, wife of a Cincinnati tradesman, reports that being taken sick while passing through Cleveland, she was turned away from her hotel; she went to a hospital where she was refused; escaping into the streets, she was pursued as "crazy" by a policeman and a crowd that encountered their horror of insanity by discharging pistols at her; finally arrested and shut up in a cell, her husband, accidentally discovering her, rescued her. The tale is told in detail by the *Cincinnati Commercial*, and reads like a chapter from one of READE'S novels in which the plot turns on a charge of insanity.

Mr. ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS is not easily cowed. A short time since, the *World*, followed by a pack of Southern journals, undertook in defence of the Vice-President of the Confederacy by saying that it was of no consequence what he held to now, he would support the Democratic candidate in 1872. To which the cautious veteran replies:

"How this will turn out, if we are to live, time and events will determine. We make no hasty or rash promises for the future."

This looks awkward; but Mr. STEPHENS goes on to make a definite threat of "bolting." He says:

"Of one thing the *World*, however, may be assured, and that is, we shall never support, by counsel or vote, either any one of the actual perpetrators of arbitrary frauds attempted to be imposed upon the people of the country, in the matter of the *so-called* amendments to the Constitution, or any one of the *accessories after the fact* to those most monstrous outrages."

The Democracy, so far as national policy is concerned, will, therefore, be placed between two fires; the North will not stand reaction, the South will not submit to progress.

There seems to be, according to the cable dispatches, increasing opposition to what is called "lengthening the term" of M. THIERS. In point of fact, however, the proposition is to enlarge the power now exercised by M. THIERS, and to fix for the first time the duration of his office, which by the terms of its original establishment was to end with the choice of a definitive form of Government. It is difficult, in the light of such information as is accessible, to appreciate the wisdom of a three years term. That one year should have been claimed as a proper time for the country to take us which to conclude the form of its permanent Government would not seem unreasonable, nor, considering the immense prestige of M. THIERS, is it likely that so much time would have been cut the patience of France with his Government. But to face a substantially free opposition Press for three years, with no more solid basis of power than its delegation by an Assembly elected under the peculiar circumstances surrounding the crisis of the present one, is an act of great boldness. The French people are likely to end by regarding it as an act of suspicious ambition also.

For eight weeks past a portion of the congregation of a Catholic church in the City of Hudson, in this State, has succeeded in preventing the priest, Father O'SULLIVAN, from officiating. We do not pretend to doubt the justice of their objections to their priest, but they have been associated with great firmness. The result is that yesterday the rebellious congregation attained a substantial triumph. A priest from Albany, sent by Bishop CONROY, arrived at Hudson, procured the vestments and chalice from O'SULLIVAN'S house, and performed mass. It is announced that O'SULLIVAN will be replaced this week by some other priest. This is the second time only, if we remember correctly, that the administration of a Catholic church in this country has been destroyed by the laity in opposition to the clergy.

The other day we were treated to a statement that Earl RUSSELL had been appointed arbitrator under the Treaty of Washington, and some of our journals indulged in lively pictures of the meeting between him and his old-time antagonist, Mr. CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS. The fact that Earl RUSSELL was the author of the whole trouble, and that he treated the question of the treaty in the House of Lords with no little show of vanity and with a good deal of foolish chattiness, made the statement improbable. The one by which it is followed, that the appointment has been given to Chief-Justice COCKBURN, is hardly less so. The case, the position and the present engagements of the Chief-Justice are all opposed to it. It will be remembered that the famous Tichborne case is before his Court, and that it is adjourned to next November.

BISMARCK thinks he does not need a double-headed council, half Protestant and half Catholic, to advise on religious matters. He has therefore abolished the two sections of the Ministry of Public Worship, which have existed for twenty and thirty years respectively. It is well understood that this is a direct advertisement to the Catholic clergy that the Roman Church, as it now exists, cannot and will not be trusted with the power it possessed previous to the Vatican Council. The State resumes the authority it had parted with, and will itself decide what constitutes a Catholic in Prussia. In this direction it has gone so far as to hand over a disputed church in Breslau to a priest whom the Prince Bishop had declared excommunicated. Probably to this decided action it was due that the Pope "rose to explain," last week, that he meant no interference with the rights of European monarchies. At least one monarchy evidently intends to put it out of his power to do any harm, even if he does mean it.

Hildise Bund Picnic.

The Hildise Bund Central Committee met yesterday at Drumatic Hall, in Houston-street, to complete the arrangements for their annual picnic, which will take place at Hamilton Park, today. The festival will commence at 2 P. M., and will consist of a procession, an oration by Mr. EHRLING, the President of the organization, illuminations, and other festivities in the evening. The Hildise Bund is a life insurance combination on an extensive scale, having above eighty branch associations.

SUMMER RESORTS.

Gossip from Long Branch, Saratoga and Newport.

The Season at the Branch—The Races at Saratoga—Kingfisher's Troubles—A Rambler's Experiences.

LONG BRANCH.

Everybody Dull and Dissatisfied—The Metropolitan Visitors Disappearing—The Girls of the Period—Billiards, Bowls, and Pistol Practice—The Season a Failure—Interesting Gossip.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONG BRANCH, Saturday, Aug. 12, 1871.

SHAKESPEARE'S best fool remarked, when he arrived at the forest of Ardennes, that when he was at home he was in a better place. Some such thoughts flitted across my own mind when I got out of the *cars-à-banc* that brings the victims from the depot to the Continental. The hotel seemed to spread out indefinitely to a horrible length; there was a numerous band playing for dear life in front, the trumpet and the bass drum far ahead of the others; there was a crowd of idlers sauntering on the long piazza, and a group of children were playing croquet on the lawn undismayed by the vehemence of the musicians, and there was a swarm of colored citizens, brush in hand, eager to pounce upon your modest valise, and to dust the unhappy owner's Summer suit. When I stepped on the piazza, and looked at the bright throng of pleasure-seekers, I observed with dismay a look of resignation, or even passive woe, in the faces of the men, and the ladies had an expression of angry discontent that was unmistakable. The very first man that saluted me explained the matter.

"You see," he said, "this is the dullest season that the Branch has ever known. It is not that there are no people here, for the place has been crowded again and again. Even now it is moderately filled. But the good folks who are here all come from the country, from Philadelphia, from St. Louis, from Chicago, from Utica, Syracuse, and heaven knows where else. The ladies anticipated a glorious time and prepared sorgeous toilets. They intended outshining the New-York belles, and slaying our bachelor youths and most eligible *partis*, right and left. They come here and find nobody but country people like themselves. The dashing swells of the Metropolis are gone—I don't know where, but they're not here."

"Indeed!" I remarked, as my friend paused for breath. "Yes, Sir, it's a fact. During race-week, of course, there was a different element, but then the gay folks who dashed around had little encouragement which shocked these quiet-going people; and I believe that they felt relief more than sorrow when all the turfmen and betting women flocked to Saratoga. Sir, I give you my word, the place is as dull as a ditch."

And so, indeed, I find it. From daybreak to sunset the guests at the Continental decline the verb "I am weary; thou art weary; he is weary; we are all weary." There is no disguising the fact that the season is an absolute failure. There is, of course, the sea bathing, but nobody comes forthat. Of all the thousands in the place not a hundred go into the sea. There is driving, but the carriages are expensive, and there is no place to drive to. The only bit of scenery affording any pleasure is away off at Seabright, where there is a long low span of hills, picturesquely wooded, and dotted with turreted villas. Our great resource is to walk up and down the piazza, to watch the children playing croquet, and the ladies in the bowling alley. It is an axiom that where there is a bowling alley there the girls of the period will be gathered together. The Continental offers no exception to the general rule. There is a party of fashionable girls here from the City who wear dashing toilets half in anger at the wasted display, half in vindictive triumph over their country cousins. It is amusing to watch them in the tenpin alley. They are surrounded by country beaux whom they are training to do the amiable in the absence of the real article. These throng around them, select their balls and keep the score. The daughters of the period preserve their characteristic attitude. The body is bent forward, the arms half extended and the hands dangling down in utter helplessness, as if existence cost a visible effort. In a moment the fair creature so languid is called to bowl. Her attentive country cavalier presents the bowl. She accepts it with faint grace. Then in half a minute she sends it flying with such strength and dexterity that the entire set of pins are thrown upon the frame. Immediately the body falls forward as if the spine were broken, the hands droop again, and the young lady who has just exhibited the force of a coal-heaver looks as if she could not possibly stand without supports.

The girls of the period are also great billiard-fists and pistol shots. They practice continually, to the great glee of the proprietors, for without them their resorts would be almost deserted. Indeed, when they are not there the billiard men often covers the tables. There is a young gentleman of fourteen who sometimes plays. He is a junior member of the Fat Man's Association, weighs 200 pounds, and has a father who weighs over 220. When the two play together, which occasionally happens, there is always an admiring circle, for they are without exception the worst players that ever handled a cue, and their adipose condition makes them miscue at every other stroke.

Wandering in utter despair from the billiard-room, I come to the parlor. It is long, handsomely furnished, and abundantly lighted. A few men are crowded away in one corner, discussing the City finances, and squabbling whether the City debt is a hundred millions or a hundred and fifty millions. Groups of ladies are gathered here and there, and occasionally two chairs close together betoken the progress of a flirtation. There is a piano of Boston make, and some atrocious music, around which swarm a troop of school girls. They take turns to play their exercises, or what they can remember of "Home Sweet Home," with variations. Really these young creatures are merciless. I stroll out to escape the misery, and find the same children playing croquet, and the same people walking up and down with discontent and passive misery on their countenances.

I stroll on to the beach. Here there is a crowd, and probably some excitement. A man emerges from the midst of the group clad in a suit of India-rubber. He plunges into the foaming surf, and, turning on his back, propels himself slowly forward by turning his arms in a backward and circular direction. Presently he emerges, and makes a short speech, the pith of which is that he will give fifty dollars to any one who will put on that armor and succeed in getting his head under water. Ladies will not be denied the privilege of an attempt. Nobody responds, however, and the majority look as if they had been concentrating their energies for years to keep their heads above water.

All of Long Branch that caters to the traveling public is strung along the beach in view of the ocean. The excellent road is fairly thronged with carriages belonging to the cottagers. Happy cottagers! They have home plus the bathing and the sea-air. We unfortunate ones have bathing and the sea-air minus home. We stand and gaze at them and their teams, and some of us I fear either break the tenth commandment outright, or touch it nearly. But nothing can better illustrate the immense progress of Long Branch as a watering-place than this great cavalcade of admirable teams. The example of the President has had a marked influence upon the social life of the place. The number of cottagers has greatly increased, and those unpleasant people who essayed to lead the fon have been quietly but unmistakably put back in their places.

There is quite a pleasant footpath along the margin of the cliffs, but it is very dangerous to absent-minded people, for it has no railing, and the soil is very soft, detaching constantly in large crumbles. I chose this road on my way to observe life at the West End Hotel, and noticed with pleasure that there are some attempts at building a sea wall, though I doubt whether the scale adopted will prove of service. I found the West End Hotel better patronized than the Continental. The numbers were not absolutely greater, but the guests were permanent, not transient, and they were moreover of a distinctly superior class. There were many New-Yorkers, and many families from other large cities, all of whom were leading members of society. I believe that this is due, not to the management nor to the *cuisine* of this hotel, but its proximity to the cottages has done the business. The good folks who occupy its rooms know many occupants of cottages, and desire to be within moderate walking distance of their friends, and the West End Hotel is a mile and a half nearer to the cottages than the Continental. There are, of course, some cottages in other directions. Mr. LAIRD, of the Mansion House, has quite a pretty one near the depot, and HELMBOLD has or had another in rear of the United States Hotel. But the Hoey cottages, Chamberlain's, the Club-house, the President's, Chanfrau's, and all the best are up by the West End.

This fine hotel can hardly be said to front on the ocean. Its grand piazza looks toward the west, but this really is no disadvantage. It need to be considered at Brighton, in by-gone days, that the rooms which commanded a full view of the sea ought to bring a double price, and indeed I know of no better way to spend an idle hour than to watch the sea. The rolling waves advance in long lines crested with white foam. Swiftly they rush toward the beach as if they would overwhelm all nature. But in mid career there is a hesitation, a pause for half a second, and the great walls of sea-water curl and topple over in magnificent confusion, and with a tremendous roar. Back they go defeated and sobbing with a low moan to renew the attack and to be again repulsed forever and forever. This is when you are close to the beach. If you are far away, perched on some bluff miles off, there seems to be no furious charging, no desperate contest between the sands and the sea. On the contrary all seems peaceful, and the white tongues of the surf lick the throat of the shore in abject devotion.

This is all very well for an hour or so, but after that it becomes monotonous. Therefore, a sea view is not so absolute a necessity as it was supposed. The jolly folks enjoying themselves give their minds up to half a dozen various frivolities without remorseful memories of the deep blue mystery. Young ladies who on the first day would do nothing but wander on the beach, spout BYRON, and heave deep sighs, get over that in twenty-four hours, and play at croquet, tease the piano, and flirt with eligibles, without taking even a look at the grand old ocean. So the partial want of a sea view does not trouble the West Enders much.

The first cottage from the hotel front belongs to a Mr. MYERS. The next is the Club-house, kept by the famous JOHN CHAMBERLIN. Mr. MYERS told me in confidence that he thought he should have to sell out. In the sultriest weather he is obliged to keep all his doors locked, because sporting men from the country will mistake his place for the Club-house. They come in, nod to Mrs. MYERS, throw themselves carelessly on the sofa, and cry out, "Hello! how's JOHNNY? Got anything to drink." Now, this is very mortifying. Only the other evening, as he was seated at supper, a dilapidated specimen walked in, took a seat, and asked for brandy and water. He had helped himself to half a chicken before he could be made to understand that Mr. CHAMBERLAIN'S cottage was the next on the right hand. The Club-house is a sumptuous place, and one of the sights of Long Branch. Everybody goes to see it, staid country deacons and all. They look with intense curiosity at the faro spread, the roulette table and the baccarat board; they accept the hospitality which CHAMBERLAIN offers to every visitor, and then they go away, holding up their hands at the horrible depravity of "them New-Yorkers." If a visitor's book was kept at the Club-house, and everybody had to sign it who went there, it would contain some very pretty signatures. It must be said, in justification of the numerous visitors to the tiger's den, that very many come not to gratify morbid curiosity, but to see the frescoing, which is very beautiful, and the inlaid buffet. This was made for HENRY MEIGS, the millionaire of Peru, an account of whose wealth and enterprise appeared lately in the TIMES. At that time he was a banker of San Francisco. When the buffet arrived, he had eloped, and it was sold at auction to a dealer, who disposed of it to CHAMBERLAIN. It is a beautiful piece of workmanship, being adorned with numerous designs in inlaid wood. These are so splendidly wrought, both in color and exactness of shadows, that they have a pitch of relief seldom realized by oil colors. I opened this splendid buffet, and was immediately reminded of the sorrowful mausoleum that hides decaying flesh and crumbling bones. This superb effort of taste and skill contained on the inside a whisky bottle, half full; some packs of cards, a dice-box, and a card covered with figures, used in some way by faro-players to mark the chances of the game.

SARATOGA.

The Races—Great Rush of Visitors—Kingfisher's Troubles—How He "Went Wrong"—Gossip About Longfellow.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, Saturday, Aug. 12, 1871.

Never in the history of this famous Summer resort has there been such an excitement as now agitates the hotel lobbies and lounging-spots. The TIMES has already published the fact that some dire calamity had happened to the celebrated horse *Kingfisher*, and that the race between him and *Longfellow* had been broken off. For two days mysterious hints were thrown out by certain gentlemen, inimical to the interests of the horse, that something had happened. Inquiries made at the stable met with still more mysterious answers. The close-mouthed stable, men and lads replied only in pantomime. Today I, and a friend attractically obtained a view of the animal and a few words from the stable superintendant. Mr. BELMONT gave orders some time ago to keep out all intruders. Such we undoubtedly were, but fortunately we found the "Boss" in a most complaisant mood. From his pocket he produced a bunch of keys, and at his bidding an agile African led out the famous *Kingfisher*. As he steppedover the door-sill there was a tremulousness in the fore feet and a general shrinking of the body, which was painfully perceptible to us. From a point about one inch below the knees to the top of the fetlocks the legs were swathed in bandages, and the odor of some pungent liniments at once filled the air. After considerable evasion, we were told that the injuries were serious. The facts are that on Thursday morning, as the horses were taking their usual training exercise, *Kingfisher* suddenly drooped and staggered in his fore legs; then a quiver, as though of pain, shook his body, and he limped badly. He was immediately taken to the stables, when it was ascertained that the tendons were strained, and that he could not run in the coming race, and would not soon, if ever, be able to resume his former speed. The poor creature frequently lifted up, and looked down at, his bandaged limbs with a pathetic expression and whinney.

There never was a finer display of really good horses as are here now, there being a grand total of ninety—all of them very superior animals. The greatest of them, of course, is *Longfellow*. This superb animal, in his clean limewhite sheet, pacing up and down under the grateful foliage of the pines and tamaracks, is more than beautiful. There is something in the bold face, and large fine eyes, and quick moving ears, that impresses you with the feeling that this horse has a nervous brain, and that *there* is the secret of his skill. It is skill that makes speed—of course, combined with muscular sinew and anatomical qualification. In his step he seems scarcely to press the sod with his feet, and moves without apparent effort. His appearance is the very embodiment of symmetry. Every muscle plays visibly under the glossy skin, and his nicely-poised head upon the delicate neck and plump shoulders is exceedingly graceful. I had an interesting interview with his owner, Mr. JOHN HARPER, the Veteran Kentucky turfman. Mr. HARPER is the proprietor of six thousand acres of land and a large number of equine and bovine live stock. He is nearly seventy years of age and a bachelor. His dress is exceedingly plain, and his entire appearance very like that of the late HENRY CLAY. I found him seated upon a bench in front of his stables busily engaged in mending a broken surcingle, and he gave me a brief history of his pet. *Longfellow* was sired by *Lexington*, dam *Nanina*. This year he won the Post Stakes, for all ages, at two mile heats, winning in two heats; and beating four others. At Lexington, Ky., this year he walked over the course, all other horses being withdrawn. He also won the Monmouth Gold Cup, valued at fifteen hundred dollars, at Long Branch. This was for all ages, and in it he beat *Helmbold*, *Regards* and *Freakness*. (time 4:41;) also the Saratoga Cup, for all ages, two and a quarter miles, easily beating *Kingfisher* in 4:02¾. *Longfellow* ran the first mile of this race in 1:40, (*Kingfisher* in about 1:41;) second mile in 1:33—making two miles in 3:13—and the last quarter mile of the race at the rate of 1:09. Mr. HARPER says that he has loved horses ever since he was "a little shaver," and will until he dies. As he spoke, *Longfellow*, accompanied by *Lillieton* and *Express*, came up, and gently placed his nose over Mr. HARPER'S shoulder, and acted very like a fondled child. The other horses followed suit, and were patted affectionately in return. This old gentleman sleeps in a nice, comfortable place near his pets. When he is absent, which is seldom, "Jimmy," a gray-haired assistant, remains. Four faithful colored men are also there at all hours. A trained watch-dog guards the door. Fifty thousand dollars in cash have been refused for *Longfellow*. *Lillieton* has achieved great successes in Kentucky, having, at Lexington, won a two-mile heat in 3:34¾. He is four years old. *Express* is but three years old; is light, graceful and quick, and has also met with fine success at the same place.

Longfellow has had such a great record, that he is feared, envied and admired by the horse-racing men. Of course the mishap to *Kingfisher* caused intense excitement; but there has been a great combination made to make a race against Mr. HARPER'S horse yet. *Helmbold* and *Harry Bassett* will enter the track, and their reputation is enough to promise a good struggle. The owner of *Helmbold* has offered a bet of ten thousand dollars that his horse will beat him in the forthcoming four-mile race, which is faster time than has yet been made on that track. Mr. PRYOR, of England, has offered to place an English colt, with a stake of five thousand pounds sterling, against any American colt, in a one and one-half mile race. The proprietor of *Harry Bassett* will accept the challenge with twenty-five thousand dollars.

The great boat-race to come off in September on Saratoga Lake promises splendidly. The WARD brothers, of Poughkeepsie, have entered for the four-mile race and a single-scull contest. The English Tyne crew are expected also.

A very large influx of visitors is confidently expected; indeed it has already commenced. The hotels are becoming burdened with guests. Mail and telegraph orders for rooms are coming in with a rush since the recent hot days.

The springs are abundantly supplied with water, and many claim that the quality of the water this season is unusually excellent. The recent snake story has prevented a few nervous persons from drinking the Congress spring, though nearly all, however, have understood the joke.

NOTES BY A RAMBLER.

Mountain Air vs. Sea Breezes—Catskill—The Overlook—Mountain House—Newport and Narragansett Pier.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ON THE WING, Wednesday, Aug. 9, 1871.

Many of the sweetest pleasures of life do come from contrasts. Here, at the neat, comfortable Hazard House, on Narragansett Pier, with the sound of the surf in our ears, and the cool, damp sea air breathing in upon us, and the great shimmering ocean stretching out illimitably before us, and a remembrance of yesterday's merry and delicious bath quickening our pulses, it is one of the pleasantest things in the world to shut our eyes as we lean back lazily and dreamily in these cushioned arm-chairs, and transport ourselves back to the grand old Catskills, where we were but a week ago.

In many respects Catskill seems to be a new discovery to the traveling public. The Prospect Park Hotel, which crowns a high hill at the entrance of the village, is so admirably placed and admirably kept that it attracts a throng of the best class of Summer tourists, and many families find it so comfortable and salubrious, and are so pleased with the various rides through the hill country which forms the charming interval between the village and the mountains, and with the boating on the Hudson and up the winding, emerald-banked, exquisite Catskill Creek, and with the extensive views commanded by the long, broad piazza, and by every window in the well-planned house, that they remain there the whole season; and a better place to stay in than the Prospect Park Hotel of Catskill I do not know. If there is a breeze stirring it fans you there. There is not a particle of malaria in the sweet, clear air. There are no mosquitoes. The fare is excellent and attractively served. A park of twenty-five acres surrounds the hotel. By noon the front piazza is in the shade, and all the afternoon the grassy level before it lies in the cool shadow of the house; and there are quiet walks along the river bank, winding through secluded woods, and beginning at almost a stone's throw from the grounds of the hotel. ROSCOE CONKLING and his family, Gen. SHERMAN, Gen. BURNS, LORING ANDREWS and family, and many other well-known people, were there just before I left.

One of the attractions, if one might so speak, of Catskill is that it offers a convenient point from which to make excursions to the adjacent mountains. From Prospect Park, and from the Grant House in Jefferson—a mile distant from the Park—parties take carriages to the well-known Catskill Mountain House, to the picturesque Palenaville Cove, to the Plattekill Ravine, to Green's Lake, and to the High Falls—all of them places of great interest, and within the limits of a day's ride, going and returning, from Catskill Village. This year a new attraction presents itself to those who have two days to spare, and a longer purse to draw upon, in the Overlook House. This Summer resort is evidently to be a great success, and is easily and economically reached by boat to Rondout, and cars to West Hurley, and then nine safe and pleasant miles by stage. I visited it last week, however, starting from Catskill, making a delightful drive of twenty-six miles, four of them over a curving, gradually ascending road 3,000 feet through and up the mountains, till we came out on the plateau on which the "Overlook" stands. The house is well built; the bedrooms are large and well furnished; the table is excellent; the parlor spacious, and provided with a fine piano; the piazza broad and pleasant, and the view is magnificent. It is a unique view, combining the old "Mountain House" scene—the quiet valley of the Hudson, with its border of hills, and the distant mountains—and another, which reminds one of what he has looked down upon from Mount Washington. The house is built on the most southern height of the Catskill range, and faces almost due south. Before it and below it, a little to the west of south, is a vast assemblage of mountains confusedly crowded together, their summits presenting every conceivable outline, their shaggy sides densely wooded to the top; the green, motionless sublimities, peak behind peak, growing dimmer under the haze of distance; stretching away, like ocean waves in a mighty storm, apparently without limit. It is exceedingly beautiful; and with the variety given to the scene by atmospheric changes, one would never weary of it. The walks from the house, leading out along the mountain ledges and into the woods and ravines, and toward one or two lakes embosomed in the hills, are of the same general character as those with which the multitude of visitors at the deservedly popular Catskill Mountain House have become familiar. The precipices near the "Overlook" are wilder perhaps, and higher, and resemble those around "Schutt's Sunset Rock," from which you look down into the Palenville Cove.

We learn that a bridle-path has already been planned over the fifteen miles between the two houses, and there will soon be good carriage roads connecting all the Catskill mountain resorts, as in the White Mountains, and the prosperity of the one will then only contribute to that of the others. There are thousands of travelers escaping from the hot and dusty cities every year, and desiring a change of scene and a change of air, who will visit these mountain hotels when assured that the route is pleasant and safe, and that the journey can be comfortably made at a reasonable expense.

It is like passing from one stream into another to take the Saratoga train from the Catskill Station, and the floating palace which carries you to Newport, and the little steamer which at 5 o'clock in the morning runs across the bay, and brings you to Narragansett Pier in time for breakfast. The transition is so rapid, the scenes so thoroughly different, that you feel as if two or three days must have passed, instead of but part of one, to bring you into an atmosphere and a scene so diverse from that which you left yesterday. Here most of the hills are but undulations, hardly higher than the ground-swells which leave the ocean in its calmest moods. The visitors of this place used to come chiefly from Providence, and then from Boston; but now they flock hither from all the great cities, and trade dependencies. The genial and eloquent Bishop CLARKE, of Rhode Island, has a Summer residence, nestling between two of the largest hotels on Ocean-avenue, and a large, airy hall, which will hold five or six hundred, is thronged to hear him every Sabbath. Most of the hotels have croquet grounds, and in the afternoon present a gay spectacle—the grounds filled with the graceful, animated players, and the piazzas with spectators.

But the crown of every day is the bathing hour. The beach—of smooth, hard sand, sloping gradually, free from shells and pebbles, and curving like a sickle for a mile or more—is really unrivaled. Even that of Newport, which we have often enjoyed, will not compare with it. There is no sea-moss; there are no dangerous holes; there is no strong under-tow, and the water rolls in directly from the Atlantic pure as crystal, coming to the shelving shore in great green swells that curve over toward you in long, translucent masses, and blossoming into foam rush musically up the beach, mingling their shorish laughter with the merriment of the bathers. These bathers, after having made all manner of grotesque guys of themselves, dance in the water in groups and circles, and the swimmers plunge through the waves and strike out toward the smoother swells, and the children frolic where the surf strikes them knee-deep, and play together in the sand, and every body is exhilarated and bright-faced, and ready to laugh in the lovliest humor at his neighbor's mishaps. It is a charming scene.

The place is unusually sociable. Invitations are out almost every day for a gathering of the guests of as many of the houses as can be accommodated in the parlor of one or another of the hotels in the evening, and a sailing party in the *Snow-Flake*, or the delightful ride to Point Judith, (called "Pint Judy" by the old settlers here,) or a tea party on the picturesque rocks, or "a hop" to the music of a good band at Tower Hill, bring the visitors together and enliven the days and evenings of those who are unwearedly youthful.

EX-GOV. SPRAGUE has expended some hundreds of thousands—as the advocate of the rights of the laboring classes should do—on a splendid mansion within rifle-shot of the bathing beach, surrounded by four or five hundred acres, which are being laboriously converted into lawn and garden and farm fields from wild land and marsh. The "palatial residence" looks like some large public building, and a lad who was riding with a party of us through the grounds the other day said, "There are so many towers that you can't see the house."

The venerable Dr. HODGE, of Princeton, is here, and on Sunday evenings gathers about him a parlor full to listen to his instructive exposition of some interesting passage of the Scriptures selected by himself. The Matthewson House, at which he is staying, like the Ocean House, the Hazard, and our neighbor across the way, the admirably-managed Maxson House, is situated a few rods back from the shore, and these houses all claim the advantage of more air, a wider view, and less fog. The Maxson and the Hazard, are within three minutes walk of the bathing beach, and both are thoroughly neat, with well furnished rooms of ample size, and a table with supplies in abundance, that one can reasonably desire. The prices range from fifteen to twenty dollars a week, according to the room. Many come here year after year, and we do not know a more satisfactory place to visit, if you love the sea, and enjoy bathing, and wish to have at will either a very quiet or a pleasantly social life in your days of recreation. G. A. H.

The Sins of Tammany—A Western Democratic Paper on the Democratic Responsibility.

Western Democrats are not unaffected by the exposure of the Tammany frauds. We quoted a few days ago from the columns of the St. Louis *Dispatch*, a thorough Democratic paper, an expression of editorial opinion, which showed that there at least there is no willingness to accept the responsibility of the acts of the Ring in this City. In its issue for Friday evening last, it has another article upon the subject. This paper has not yet reached us, but the following paragraph from it was telegraphed to the Cincinnati *Gazette*:

"The political power of the men indicted by the people of New-York seems to bar the way to their arrest. Politics there is the supreme power. The power is the Democratic Party. Are TWEED, SWEENY and HALL the party? Or are the people? The method is simple enough to free the party of the odium of such accusations, and can be made summary. If the law is not potential enough in New-York City to protect itself, and the Police and the Courts are mere tools of Tammany, and the law is absolutely a dead letter, then we can see only one remedy—the interference of the United States Marshal, backed by United States bayonets. If this is revolution against and coercion of a sovereign State, let it be called so and known to be so. It is revolution in the right direction. The National Democratic Party must not be jeopardized by the infamy of a monstrous slush Ring."

Keep Cool.

Bridgeport Daily Standard.

In New-York corruption seems to have been the order of the past, as its exposure is the order of the present. The TIMES having done noble work in bringing to light and holding up to contempt the terrible work of the rats of Tammany in the City "House that Jack built," now the *Tribune*, emulous of the honor thereby attained, and envious, too, perhaps, has its upon the Health Officer, Dr. CARNOCHAN, and given him such a blast as will either blow him into the middle of the next political week, or bring about a vigorous defense of his outraged honor. If one half of the bad things which the *Tribune* says about the man are true, he is almost as bad as TWEED, and should be elected, (if he is not already,) a member of the Americus Club immediately. There is one noticeable fact about this war of the *Tribune* upon the Health Officer, viz.: it is calm and cool about it. Firm but mild with more of sorrow than anger in its manner, it does not imitate the hot impetuosity of its contemporary, the TIMES, in its attack upon Tammany! We know that it can be vigorous without getting into a passion, and are pleased to see that no one is called a fool or a liar in the course of its really severe article upon the middoings of the Health Officer. In this article, the only epithets used to characterize the man, or men, who have been, as it states, preying upon the merchants of New-York City, are the mild titles of "robbers," "pirates," "leeches," and "cormorants;" and when we compare this moderation with the terrible indelicacy of the TIMES, in calling the Tammany City officials thieves and swindlers, we are filled with admiration at the moderate and temperate tone of the *Tribune*, and we are constrained to admit this great change for the better—made since it took to lecturing the TIMES, upon the uselessness of using strong language. In its present mealy-mouthed condition, the *Tribune* reminds us of Byron's description of the pirate in *Don Juan*:

"He was as mild a mannered man
As ever scuttled ship or cut a throat."

We would not wager a button upon its keeping its dignity for over forty-eight hours, but as long as it is dignified and sets such an example of propriety, we must let it have all the honor that belongs to it, and not throw its previous reputation for excellence in bad language in its face. We are fond of the *Tribune* when it is cool, for it is fearless and consistent, and as this (some Dr. CARNOCHAN is not, (probably) a member of the Ring, we have no fear but that the *Tribune* will give him all the exercise he wants in defending his side from its vigorous fluctuations. We trust that the TIMES will observe this improvement, and appreciate the advantage of being at once severe but moderate in the use of epithets.

AMUSEMENTS.

Announcements and Notes.

Booth's Theatre will be opened to-night for the season. "Little Nell and the Marchioness" will be acted. Niblo's and the Olympic are closed until further notice. Wallack's is closed also, but can be visited on Wednesday evening, when the Fall entertainments will begin. The late arrival of Miss LYDIA THOMPSON, and of the company intended to surround her, has made the brief season unavoidable. Doubtless the delay will cause the inception of Mr. WALLACK'S regular season to be deferred for a week at least. No fresh engagements have been made for the company, which, as already noted, is lessened, thus far, by the withdrawal of Messrs. WILLIAMSON and MARLOWE, and strengthened by the able services of Mr. POLK. It has been stated that Miss MADELINE HENRIQUES would form a part of the company of Wallack's this year. There is no foundation for this report. Miss HENRIQUES will positively not appear.... At Wood's, to-night, "A Life's Revenge" will be acted, with Mr. G. C. BONIFACE in the leading part.... Monday, Sept. 4, has been chosen for the opening night of the Grand Opera-house.

BUFFALO DRIVING PARK.

The Detailed Account of the Last Day's Sport—Judge Brigham Wins the 2:40 Race, and is Sold for $30,000—Goldsmith Maid Beats her Former Record of 1869, and Trots the Fastest Three Consecutive Heats Ever Made—Time, 2:19 2-4, 2 19 1-4, 2 19.

The two important and interesting races at the Buffalo Driving Park, on Friday, are thus graphically described in detail by the *Commercial Advertiser* of that city:

THE 2:40 RACE.

The favorites for this race were the "two *Judges*," *Fullerton* and *Brigham*. During the day a rumor was spread—but we believe not generally credited—to the effect that the driver of *Brigham* had for a consideration agreed to "throw" the race in favor of *Fullerton*, but the result proved that if such had been the understanding, the matter had been reconsidered. Previous to the start *Fullerton* sold in the pools for $150, *Brigham* for $60, and the field for from $30 to $50.

FIRST HEAT.—*Democrat*, *Logan*, *Samuel Clare*, *Hunteress*, *Long Branch*, and *Ed. Higgins*, were drawn. The positions drawn were as follows: *Brigham*, 1; *Fullerton*, 2; *Vosburg*, 3; *Ashland Pet*, 4; *Hobert*, 5; *H. Burke*, 6. They got the word on the sixth trial, *Burke* taking a slight lead, with *Fullerton* second. At the quarter-pole *Fullerton* led by half a length in 35½, *Hobart* and *Brigham* in the rear and on the break. At the half, in 1:19, *Burke* was a length behind and doing some running. *Brigham*, with a swinging into the homestretch, made a brush for *Burke* and passed him, and went for *Fullerton*, but the latter crossed the score two lengths in advance in 2:25¾. *Burke* was third, and a length behind *Brigham*.

SECOND HEAT.—*Fullerton* was still a great favorite, and brought $200 to $50 on the remainder. The horses got the word on the second trial, *Burke* a little in advance, and *Brigham* second. On rounding the first turn *Brigham* broke and *Fullerton* passed him. On passing the quarter, in 36½, *Fullerton* was two lengths ahead of *Burke*, with *Brigham* again down to his work, and doing some remarkable trotting. Down the stretch and he got to *Burke* to go-by in fine style, and went for *Fullerton*, but he lapped and led by half a length at the half mile pole in 1:13½, the others being way behind. *Fullerton* breaking, *Brigham* widened the gap between them to several lengths. Striking in gait again, *Fullerton* went after *Brigham*, but could not reach him, the latter crossing the score a winner by two lengths, in the splendid time of 2:22. *Burke* a bad third, *Ashland Pet* hardly saving his distances, and *Vosburg* and *Frank Hobert* being shut out.

THIRD HEAT.—*Brigham* was now the pet, and long odds were laid on him. The horses got an even start on the fourth trial, and away they went, the favorite leading around the turn, and passing the quarter in 36½, two lengths ahead of *Fullerton*, the latter leading *Burke* twice that distance. Down the straight side *Fullerton* made a strenuous effort, and succeeded in reaching *Brigham's* wheel; but he broke up and fell back, and was three lengths behind at the half, which was passed in 1:16½, *Brigham* won by nearly three lengths in 2:22¾, *Burke* third and *Ashland Pet* distanced.

FOURTH HEAT.—This was an intensely exciting heat. Five to one on *Brigham* was now the offer, and the friends of *Fullerton* are said to have "transacted" to a considerable extent. The three horses got off on the first start, pretty evenly. After passing the first turn *Brigham* made a very bad break, and fell back on him by six lengths to the quarter in 36½. The favorite got down to his work again, and made a most tremendous burst of speed, closing the gap and getting at evens with *Fullerton* before the half was reached. They were close together at the half, in 1:19½, but about here *Brigham* again broke very badly and lost something like a dozen lengths. Again, however, he did he answer to the call made upon him, settled himself down to his gait, and went for *Fullerton* like a whirlwind. It was the expression of many of the old turfmen present that they had never seen such a splendid burst of speed. Steadily he kept his terrific pace, and when they turned into the homestretch he was but two lengths behind. MACE plied the whip vigorously to preserve his advantage, but the efforts of himself and horse were fruitless. *Brigham* was even with him at the distance-pole, and crossed the score a length in advance, amid the wildest enthusiasm, in 2:20¾, *Burke* well behind.

SUMMARY.

BUFFALO DRIVING PARK, Aug. 11, 1871.—Mile heats, best three in five, in harness, for horses that have never beaten 2:40, for a purse of $5,000; $3,0 0, $1,000, $700, $300.

A. C. Green names b. s. Judge Brigham	2	1	1
E. Rice names ch. g. Fullerton	1	3	2
Keyon and Burke name blk. g. H. Burke	3	2	3
A. Jones names b. g. Ashland Pet	4	dis.	
F. O. Chamberlain names b. g. Frank Hobert	5	dis.	
J. R. Lovett names s. g. Vosburg	6	dis.	
C. Predmore names br. g. Democrat	dr.		
Frank Culver names s. g. Logan	dr.		
Alden Goldsmith names b. m. Hunteress	dr.		
J. Miell names b. g. Long Branch	dr.		
James H. Gallagher names gr. m. Satinet	dr.		
George E. Logan names s. g. Ed Higgins	dr.		
Jos. C. Simpson names b. g. Clare	dr.		

Time—2:19¾, 2:19¾, 2:19.

And thus ended the sixth annual meeting on the Buffalo Park Course, one of the most successful, in all respects, ever known in this country. The attendance has been very large—probably not less than 45,000 during the four days; and the liberality and enterprise of the directors have been rewarded by a handsome return. We believe that both those from abroad and our own people will almost unanimously join in an expression of satisfaction with the manner in which all things connected with the meeting were arranged and carried out.

It is a remarkable fact in connection with the meeting, that during the whole four days of trotting but two heats only were won in slower time than 2:20. Another fact worth mentioning is, that the only race in which the 2:27 was not beaten was the 2:30, and even in that 2:27 was reached.

THE KENTUCKY ELECTION.

A Largely Increased Vote for Governor—Great Democratic Loss in Majorities.

Alluding to the returns of the election in Kentucky, the Louisville *Commercial* says:

"From such information as we possess we infer that the vote for Gen. HARLAN is as large, if not larger, than we had expected, while the vote for Gov. LESLIE exceeds the anticipations of both his political foes and friends. Our political adversaries had all the machinery of the election offices in their hands, while their Tammany brethren had presented to them both the lesson and example of repeaters and fraudulent returns. How much they may have profited by this lesson and example the future may disclose."

The Louisville *Courier-Journal* shows that the Democratic vote for Governor in fifty-nine counties, from which actual returns have been received, is 73,042; in 1869 the Democratic vote in these counties was 67,507; increase this year, 4,535. The Republican vote in these counties in 1869 was 11,545; this year, 49,384; increase, 37,839. The *Courier-Journal* also publishes the following statement of the comparative gains and losses of LESLIE, from the majorities of STEVENSON in 1868, from all the counties from which it has received full returns:

	Loss.		Loss.
Louisville City	4,226	Tassamine County	295
Anderson County	162	Kenton County	847
Adair County	248	Larue County	340
Allen County	327	Lewis County	*20
Bacon County	964	Lincoln County	1,100
Bourbon County	686	Logan County	1,461
Boyle County	473	Muhlenberg County	903
Bracken County	*23	Mason County	803
Breckinridge County	1,120	Meade County	600
Bullitt County	300	Metcalfe County	300
Ballard County	155	Madison County	869
Butler County	77	McCracken County	677
Bath County	251	Marion County	1,152
Caldwell County	400	Maxwell County	600
Campbell County	823	Nicholas County	305
Carroll County	1	Owen County	130
Christian County	1,372	Ohio County	671
Clark County	718	Oldham County	*24
Cumberland County	320	Pendleton County	270
Daviess County	819	Robertson County	24
Estill County	178	Rockcastle County	157
Fleming County	147	Spencer County	1,000
Franklin County	256	Shelby County	977
Graves County	160	Spencer County	468
Grayson County	346	Simpson County	307
Green County	1,000	Trigg County	1,000
Grant County	128	Todd County	674
Hart County	1,074	Trimble County	89
Hardin County	1,125	Woodford County	699
Henry County	1,040	Warren County	1,405
Harrison County	729	Washington County	911
Hancock County	249		
Total losses			49,226
Total gains			33

* Gains.

In these fifty-nine counties LESLIE'S majority is over 24,000. The vote is unusually large, and though the comparison between this and the previous gubernatorial election shows a falling-off in the Democratic majority of over 43,000 in the fifty-nine counties, the voteof LESLIE is almost invariably larger than that for STEVENSON. Since 1868 the negroes have been enfranchised, and they have largely increased the Republican vote.

ITALIAN MOVEMENTS.

Meeting of the Italian Benevolent Society—Further Preparations for the Celebration—Peice, Hungarians and Scandinavians Uniting With the Italians.

The regular quarterly meeting of La Società Di Unione E. Fratellanza Italiana was held last evening in Germania Assembly Rooms, Signor N. CORRADI in the chair. The special business of the meeting was to elect officers for the ensuing year. The following were the principal officers elected: P. MASSA, President; SERENO Q. P. BERGUGLIA, Vice-President; P. PARODI, Secretary, and L. COLOMBO, Treasurer.

Several resolutions were adopted relative to the participation of the Society in the celebration of the 25th of August. As this Society is now frequently confounded with the peoples' Committee of Italian citizens who have charge of the arrangements for the forthcoming demonstration, it may be well to state that the Society is one of long standing, and is part of the Great Italian Union which has branches all over the United States and Canada, and which, as reported in the TIMES recently, is to hold a biennial convention in this City from the 23d to the 26th of August. The organization is purely benevolent in character, and counts among its numbers

NOTES FROM THE PEOPLE.

The New Drug Law for New-York City.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

As an old graduate of pharmacy, and formerly an apothecary, I have read with considerable interest most of the articles which have appeared in our City Press in regard to the new law for the City of New-York, and I desire to place a few facts before the Press and the public. There are in the whole Union about twelve thousand druggists practicing pharmacy, that science which is said to comprise the whole art of all preservation, invigoration and combination—some say of medicinal substances, but the term medicinal has a wide and undefined application; thus, a cup of tea, a bowl of coffee, and a glass of lager-beer are all medicinal preparations, because they have medicinal as well as dietetic relations. So limited up to this time have been the means of thorough pharmaceutical education in our new country, that it is thought not over some three thousand of these twelve thousand have been thoroughly schooled and graduated as pharmacists. The American Pharmaceutical Association, which will meet for this year in September in St. Louis, a highly respectable and useful organization, contains only some 700 members. This Association, which embraces the oldest and best men in the profession in our country, many of them men of high attainments and character, who have been schooled in our own and the best European schools, has always desired legislative aid for the purposes of education, and legislative restrictions for the elevation of the profession, but it has been found impossible to recommend any general law that could be applied to the whole country, or to large States, in the present condition of pharmaceutical education in our country. In 1870, Rhode Island, a small State, passed a good law, which was recommended by a committee of the Pharmaceutical Association, and Maryland also, but for Baltimore City alone.

Special legislation is always objectionable, but at present no other legislation is possible. The New-York City law, about to be enforced, is a special act. The objections to this law are: that four Commissioners are appointed as examiners at a gross salary of twelve thousand dollars, which includes the Secretary's salary, to do what the New-York College of Pharmacy always desires power to do for nothing. This College should be properly endowed and aided like other educational institutions, to the extent of ten thousand dollars annually, and it should graduate, license, and examine the diplomas of graduates of the States desiring to practice pharmacy free of charge, because as a class, apothecaries are poor. It is said that no apothecary has ever made on his profession, as the result of his legitimate pursuit, over fifty thousand dollars in a lifetime. Quacks get rich; the best men in the profession are usually poor, because they will not quack, and as a rule apprentices to this profession are studious boys of small expectations. This Commission of four comprises only one pharmacist, a very respectable gentleman of moderate attainments. It has one chemist, whose true position as a scientist is somewhat similar to that of the celebrated Mr. BARNUM in nature. (Both are said to be very estimable and useful men, their specialty being that of showmen, the one of rare animals and curiosities, the other of scientific wonders. Furthermore, it should be borne in mind that mere chemistry, the science of chemical combination, as applied to pharmacy, is only a single branch of the profession. The other two are physicians, and medical men, as a rule, are well known to be very incompetent pharmacists, so much so that the celebrated English Prof. HUXLEY, in addressing recently the graduating class of the medical school in the University, advised for all the future that medical students should drop Materia Medica or Pharmacognosy, and make pharmacy a separate profession, for the reason that medication has not kept pace with other pursuits, most of its advances being due to the advance of pharmacy and the correlative sciences. One of our celebrated physicians has recently declared that it must be confessed that, as yet, all medication is empirical. The word empiric or quack being used in its true sense as an experimenter," one who practices without knowledge. The truth is, all medication is more or less empirical, for the same [illegible] all medicine is dynamic. The ways of God are [illegible] deep that no man has mastered [illegible] the words of both [illegible] and [illegible] Times, as a well [illegible] document. In [illegible] the charge for examination as [illegible] Maryland the charge is [illegible] both being intended to cover only cost of diploma and record of license. Our New-York Commission, which is the creature of Assemblyman IRVING, long celebrated as a politician and a prize-fighter, has the assurance to say that it cannot respect the diplomas of any of the Schools of Pharmacy in Europe and America, and that it is for the interest of men like Dr. FRED. HOFFMAN, the author of the ablest report on pharmacy ever laid on the United States, to pay this $30 license; such a diploma so issued will increase his dignity. The necessity for the appearance of such a man before such a Commission is an indignity, as no one of them could maintain a conversation with Dr. HOFFMAN on the subject of pharmacy for thirty minutes. The examinations which are reported are, in many cases, if correctly reported, farcical, and the sooner the whole matter is placed where it should be, in the hands of the New-York College of Pharmacy, the better.

It is said that one of the Commissioners somewhat astonished one of the licensed applicants, who complained of the cost of his diploma, that in Europe forty pounds were paid for some diplomas. It is that need be said is that in our large jobbing houses applications from the interior for educated pharmaceutical assistants are very frequent, and a diploma from this Board, in so far as it would aid any clerk in obtaining a situation, or salary without the [illegible] of New-York, would be very dear at forty cents.

DANIEL C. ROBBINS.

The Druggist Question.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The letter of the Commissioners appointed to examine druggists, published in your issue of the 8th inst., conveys the idea that the opposition to the law under which said Commissioners were appointed and to their proceedings, is made only by those who are conscious of their incompetency and who fear examination. Nothing could be further from the truth. Many of the most intelligent and experienced druggists in the City are foremost in the opposition; men who are well capable of examining the examiners as far as regards scientific and practical knowledge of drugs. If this is doubted, a fair statement of the history, education, experience, present connections, social and political, of at least some of said examiners and many of the opposing druggists will make the fact apparent. This remark is made, not for the purpose of disparaging the Commissioners, but in answer to the unjust and unreasonable insinuation or allegation in their letter, that the opposition is to be attributed to conscious ignorance. The following are some of the objections to the law and to the proceedings under it:

First—The druggists feel that the real object of those who projected and passed the law in question was to place a few offices in the gift of the Ring, and to afford another opportunity for plunder. A somewhat prominent Democratic politician, and a member of the Legislature which passed the law in question, told the writer, only a few days ago, that at the time the law was passed it was well understood that the real object of it was "to give a place to a few physicians whom the Ring wished to favor; that the pretense of benefiting the public was merely a pretext." The law itself—the manner of its execution—confirm this statement. Now, the druggists, as a class, object to being picked out specially to be plundered, or to have their rights to pursue their legitimate business subjected to the personal and political prejudices and interests of the Ring or their agents. If any druggist should be objectionable by reason of his political opinion, or if it should be convenient to some favorite of the Ring to have a competitor in the drug business disqualified and thrust out of the business, it is believed such person will easily be found incompetent and a certificate refused him. Some of the examiners are said to own one or more drug-stores. Many druggists who are not afraid of a fair examination are afraid of an unfair one. Such suspicions may be unfounded, but the Commissioners appointed might well have been men above suspicion, had the Mayor been judicious in his selection. The pretext on which the law is based is false in fact. It has been assumed that the druggists of the City are incompetent to dispense drugs, and the Commissioners in their letter assert such to be the fact, and that the public "could not endure it longer." Such an assertion rests on no facts whatever. If a fair statement is made of all the accidents which have occurred in the City within the last five years from the giving or taking of drugs, it will be found that very few accidents or unreward results have occurred from the ignorance or incompetency of druggists. Such accidents are usually the results of carelessness on the part of some one rather than incompetency. If the mistakes of the physicians and the patients were fairly recorded and fairly stated, the druggists would be exonerated from much odium now unjustly and without reason cast on them. It is not intended to cast any reflection on the medical profession by this remark, but attention is called to the fact that by the laws of this State any person can practice medicine and write prescriptions. No diploma, no certificate, no medical education is required, and druggists are constantly called upon to put up prescriptions which perhaps the so-called regular medical faculty would consider objectionable. This law, then, stands no real safeguard to the public. There is no provision for pure drugs, no system or mode of dispensing them.

Second—It has no application to druggists outside of the City of New-York. It is an unjust discrimination against druggists in this City.

Third—It is unjustly and unfairly administered. It is made the occasion of levying a tax on druggists to which other citizens are not subjected. If it was intended to be a means of raising a revenue for the benefit of the public at large, that would be as unjust as to afford ground for the most serious opposition. If by fair intendment it only authorizes the imposition of such fees as shall produce sufficient money to fairly pay the just expenses of the examination, then the Commissioners, with the assent of the Mayor, are administering the law unfairly, and perhaps, it may turn out, illegally. And for what purpose? Are we not justified in believing that all money improperly obtained by our present City officials is obtained for the mere purpose of plunder? By the law the Commissioners must examine all druggists now doing business in the City on application, within six months after their organization. After those have been examined there will be little for the Board to do. Each Commissioner and their Secretary is to receive not to exceed twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, during the pleasure of the Mayor. They meet two days a week for six months. Their salaries for the first year cannot exceed twelve thousand five hundred dollars. They ought not to exceed one-half that sum. It is said that a portion of the house or office of Dr. DORENUS, one of the Commissioners, has been specially fitted up for their use. It is presumed that the City officials will pay good rent. Unconnected with the "Ring," Dr. DORENUS, like CESAR's wife, might be above suspicion; yet the druggists have a right to look at this fact, in connection with the fee required of them, profoundly to pay expenses. The necessary expenses, besides the salaries of the Commissioners and their Secretary, with a fair allowance for "picking and stealing," ought not to exceed twenty or twenty-five hundred dollars. The aggregate expense of the Commission, then, including full salaries, for one year, would amount to fifteen or sixteen thousand dollars. It ought not to exceed ten thousand dollars. It is to be remembered that one year is twice as long a time as the services of the Board are required to examine the druggists now doing business in the City. The fees imposed will produce from twenty to thirty thousand dollars at least. Thus a very considerable sum of money is to be raised over and above the expenses of the Commission if its members are honest, which the law requires to be paid into the Manhattanville Treasury. The cost of a certificate to a clerk is ten dollars, to a proprietor thirty. In other words, a tax of twenty dollars is imposed on the proprietorship of a drug-store. That is in effect a tax on property without regard to value. The owner of a store worth one thousand dollars or less, with a trade of eight or ten dollars a day, must pay the same tax as the owner of a store worth ten or twenty thousand dollars, with a trade of several hundred dollars per day. And this is a tax on the property of druggists alone, and on property on which they besides have to pay the same general taxes as other citizens. Now the druggists justly ask, What is the object of this excessive tax, if it is not plunder? How are they benefited in return for their money? The Commissioners say in their letter, in effect, that they consider the price paid for the certificate the measure of the dignity conferred thereby. Do they mean that their standard of qualification for clerks and for proprietors is different? The fact is, that neither the druggist nor the community at large consider the certificate of any dignity whatever, and the certificate thus issued. If the Mayor had been chiefly solicitous for the public good and the elevation of "the profession," would he not have ascertained the sense of leading druggists as to the composition of the Board of Examiners? And could he not have appointed a Board which would have commanded confidence, and which would have performed its duties without making "pay" its chief object, and without extorting unreasonable and unnecessary fees?

SATURDAY, Aug. 12, 1871. B. W.

Boiler Explosion Vs. the Hydrogen Gun.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Among the numerous articles written and evidence elicited from experts in reference to boiler explosions, the true cause of disaster in a vast majority of cases has not as yet, in my judgment, even been hinted at, much less explained. It is very well known that water, in passing into steam, increases its volume 1,700 times. Thus the force of a cubic inch of water, when converted into steam, is sufficient to raise a ton one foot high. The power of steam consists in its expansion, and, like all elastic bodies, its force is lost whenever pressure ceases to confine it. Apply these simple facts to a boiler. Suppose a pressure of steam per square inch is employed sufficient to burst it, or in other words force an opening, what is the result? The elastic vapor escapes with a rushing sound, just as it does "in blowing off." Objects in the direct line of its escape and within a certain distance from such rent or opening will be injured in proportion to the amount of compression to which the steam has been subjected, or their nearness; persons within its reach will be scalded. Just as soon, however, as this natural safety-valve has been formed, and a vent thus established, the force of the steam will diminish, there will be no explosion, but a rapid and powerful escape of elastic vapor. Hence it is easy to understand, steam can never tear a boat or building to pieces—it never did—and never can blow a deck and pilot-house with hundreds of people into the air. All that it can do, is to force an opening by virtue of its expansive power; this accomplished, the compression is so rapidly relieved that its power instantaneously diminishes. What is it, then, that exhibits such fearful energy in cases of boiler explosion? Steam, as has been shown, is a non-explosive vapor, and like water, is composed of two gases—hydrogen and oxygen—mixed in the proportion of one part to eight by weight, or two parts of the former to one of the latter by volume. Whenever steam or water is brought in contact with iron heated to redness it is instantly decomposed, the iron attracts the oxygen, and the hydrogen escapes. This gas is the lightest of all known substances, and when mixed with two volumes of atmospheric air, or oxygen, forms a compound whose explosive force far exceeds that of gunpowder. Let us again apply these facts in elucidation of the mystery which seems to surround boiler explosions. Whenever the water in a boiler fails to cover every part exposed to the direct heat of the fire, the iron becomes heated to redness, steam is rapidly decomposed, hydrogen is evolved, oxygen set free, and the process goes on until the explosive mixture now accumulating in the upper portion of the boiler finally reaches from above downward to the red-hot iron, when it explodes with greater or less detonation and force according to the quantity generated. Now, this detonation is a very important point. It is never absent, in any case where the boiler is converted into a gigantic hydrogen gun from want of sufficient water. It is never heard when a boiler is rent by the expansive force of steam, no matter how high the pressure. One fact more and we have done. Dangerously low water always causes a boiler to foam. Let a kettle dry out over a fire, and watch the result. A foam-like bubble will grow water as either of the cocks are opened before it explodes. A free or other portion may be sufficiently heated to decompose the steam, and the oxidized portion easily escape observation, especially when constructed, as almost all boilers are liable to be, with a deposit of lime and silica.

We call the attention of the jury now sitting to decide upon the cause of the late terrible disaster, to the following points, with which they should be made familiar:

1. Steam, as such, can never be made to explode. Therefore, whenever a report is heard in cases of boiler explosion, the boiler has been converted into a "hydrogen gun."

2. When water is dangerously low, the "cocks" cannot be relied upon as furnishing evidence of a sufficiency.

3. It may require a very close examination of every square inch of flues and middle portion of boiler to discover thin places, overheated, or it may be blown to atoms, and thus escape observation.

F. P. M., No. 306 Gates-avenue, Brooklyn.

Another Theory of the Explosion.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I am a practical engineer, and have read the various articles in your paper giving the opinions of different experts regarding the *Westfield* disaster, and find no two to exactly agree in their belief. There has been, and doubtless will be, placed upon the stand some of the best engineering talent of the country, to give us the benefit of their knowledge, both practical and theoretical, as to the true cause of this terrible calamity. It is my own opinion, formed from the experience of many years, that the vital part of the testimony concentrates upon two questions, which I hope will receive due consideration. First, Was it literally an explosion? I answer, no, as an explosion of a steam-boiler cannot take place with a full quantity of water, and in the absence of gas, which cannot be generated except by the water coming in contact with the heated metal, in which case safety-valves are useless and nothing will prevent an explosion. Second, Was it a bursting or giving way of the boiler from over-pressure? I answer, yes; the tensile strength of the iron was not sufficient to sustain the pressure it was subjected to at the time of the accident, especially at the rivets. I fully concur with the remarks of one of the witnesses regarding the use of drifting-pins in boiler-building. They should be discarded, as it frequently splits the sheet at the rivet-hole; it is not seen at the time, or, if it is seen by the workmen, they say nothing about it, as it would cost both time and labor to remove the defective sheet and make a heavy loss to the contractor, who, perhaps, has taken the contract on a very low figure, no owners of boilers and factories look too much at the mighty dollar, and too little at the value of the lives intrusted to their care. What is the value of a thousand boilers compared with the lives that were lost on the 30th July, in consequence of a defective boiler, and a more defective safety-valve. ENGINEER.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Aug. 10, 1871.

Steam-Gauges.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have read your editorial in today's paper advocating the placement of steam-gauges in a prominent position, so as to be visible to every passenger. I think the idea first-rate, but allow me to bring to your mind the fact (which probably has escaped your notice,) viz: That it is in the power of every engineer to shut off the steam from the gauge at any figure he may desire, and the hand will remain stationary at that point until steam is admitted. Nothing easier than to deceive in such a case.

ONE WHO OBSERVES.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Aug. 12, 1871.

An Unsafe Railroad Bridge.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The very just remarks made in your editorial of yesterday, with reference to the recklessness of human life manifested by the railway companies, in failing to keep the bridges on their lines in good repair, induce me to ask that you will in some way bring to the notice of the directors of the New-York and New-Haven Road the fact that the old bridge over the Housatonic, between Stratford and Milford, is considered by many to be in an unsafe condition. I am told, on good authority, that this bridge was condemned a year or more ago by the State Inspectors. Those who travel over the road know that a grand new iron bridge is now in process of construction; but there is no prospect that it will be finished before mid-winter, or possibly not till next Spring—some say it will be as late as the Winter of 1872. Meantime scores of heavy trains will be passing daily through the old bridge, which, it is said, has been materially weakened by the frequent shocks from pile-driving and stone-laying for the new pier, situated but a few feet north of the old butments. I have found, in talking with passengers on the road, that there is not a small amount of nervous apprehension felt by some, lest a terrible accident may occur at some time during these following months, before the new structure is ready for use. If there be reasonable ground for such a feeling, (and for one I think there is,) ought not immediate measures to be adopted for the greater safety of the precious lives? In the name of humanity, let us not be compelled ere long to read of another fearful calamity which might have been prevented by the outlay of an insignificant sum of money.

By bringing this matter to the attention of the traveling public, and especially of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad Company, you will oblige many of those who've eastward of the aforesaid bridge, not to mention your friend

CLERICUS.

MILFORD, Conn., Saturday, Aug. 12, 1871.

The Wrongs of Travelers.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have perused with pleasure your editorial in this morning's paper on the subject of "Cheap Excursions." The idea is an excellent one, and if it could be carried out, would enable ten per cons to leave home at half price, against one at the full rate, thereby benefiting immensely the many whose incomes are limited, and at the same time increase very largely the receipts of the railroad and steam-boat companies. And at the same time, permit me to suggest that arrangements be made with the landlords at the hotels on the route, which would enable the traveler bearing the excursion ticket to find accommodations as a moderate charge.

After you get through with the great work which you have undertaken in exposing the rascalities of "Tammany Rings," I hope you will find time to open your columns and invite all "swindled travelers" to make their complaints against the many extortions of the day.

Before the war, $2 50 per day was the charge of the first-class hotels, and during its existence, when gold was at 150 and upward, flour at $20 and $25 and upward, and all other articles in proportion, their terms were doubled to $5. But now, as all these prices of the necessary supplies are nearly down to their old rates, it seems to me that a full deduction should be made. Many years ago the London *Times* came out and offered its columns to the suffering traveler in old England, and the result was that a very great reform took place in many of the abuses which existed at that time.

With the hope that your suggestion of "cheap excursions" will be adopted by some of the great lines of travel before the season is too far advanced, I remain, yours very truly.

AN OLD TRAVELER.

And a constant reader of the TIMES.

The Broadway Pavement.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

If there is any one good thing which the Ring have given us, it is the present substantial and well-laid pavement in Broadway. What its cost may have been is not now called in question. Perhaps when CONNOLLY is removed, or his books become public property, we may know. But now this beautiful pavement is being removed for laying down gas-pipes and relaid upon sand instead of concrete, which will not stand a week's wear of the immense travel. This operation was commenced at the Bowling-green, and before the workmen are a block off the new pavement in the rear is nearly impassable, so that we shall have a space about five feet wide completely ruined through our finest street. Who is responsible for this? I see the carts employed are marked N. Y. G. Co. Has this Company any right to mar this fine pavement? Have they any connection with the Ring that they should be exempted from the expense of relaying this pavement in the same manner as they found it? W.

Hard-Working Men.
To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have just seen in the TIMES of Aug. 11, an account of the cost to the City of the removal of a birds' box in Madison-avenue. I can match this with what came under my notice in front of my house in Lexington-avenue. I had not observed that there was any leak from the hydrant, until one day five men took up the flag-stones, dug around the hydrant, removed the paving-stones for a space of three feet wide to the cistern in the middle of the street. I then could see that there must have been a very minute leak. For more than a week nothing further was done. At the end of that time there came seven men, followed by two more and a cart with dirt in it. They replaced the hydrant carefully, broke up the flag-stones to fill up their valuable time and increase their disinterested labors. They also relaid the paving-stones in such a manner that the street has sunk and a gutter has been formed to the cistern, in order, probably, to give employment to twelve other men at some future day.

I leave you to make the calculation what this leak cost the City.

A SUBSCRIBER AND TAX-PAYER.

DANVILLE, Livingston Co., N. Y., Saturday, Aug. 12, 1871.

YOUNG LADIES' REGATTA.

A Contest on Lake Winnepisseogee Between Young Female Rowers—The Race Won by a Lady of Boston.

A correspondent at Centre Harbor, N. H., gives a glowing account of a boat race on Lake Winnepisseogee one afternoon last week, between some young lady guests at that place. The race, as it seems, arose from the daily amusement of the young ladies, who spend a portion of each morning in plying the oar upon the lake. The correspondent says the boats took their positions by the judges' stand in the following order:

The *Magic*, rowed by Miss Josie H——, of Boston. Color, crimson.

The *Wanderer*, rowed by Miss ELLA G——, of Lowell. Color, magenta.

The *Tidal Wave*, rowed by Miss BLANCHE P——, of New-York. Color, brown.

The *Iris*, rowed by Miss HATTIE H——, of Centre Harbor. Color, blue.

The start was a picture. Every pair of oars struck the water at the same instant, and sent it in pearly drops, like CLEOPATRA's jewels, flashing in the sunlight, as that one little word "go" was uttered by the starter. At the end of the first thirty strokes it became clearly evident that the race was a divided one; the struggle for the first place being confined to the maroon and the brown, the others, a slight distance behind, pulling pluckily for the third position. It was as pretty a race as I ever saw upon Quinsigamond; the bright faces of the young girls, the beauty and uniqueness of their costumes, the gaily-dressed throng, the sunny afternoon, the blue lake covered with pleasure-parties of all shallops, and above all, the sturdy, plucky pulling of the rowers, made the scene one never to be forgotten. The brown at the start took a decided lead, and her friends were jubilant, but soon the steady, unflurried and beautifully-exact stroke of the magenta catching the water thirty-five times to the minute, began to close the gap, and collaring her fair rival about two rods from the finish, won by about eight inches. The little one in blue was pulling steadily and wonderfully well, and gradually gaining upon her more mature opponent in orange. Toward the end, however, her slight strength failed her, and despite her most earnest endeavors she was beaten by three orange by two seconds. The prizes—two very elegant goblets—were presented to the successful contestant. The affair, from its novelty and from the social position of the young ladies, was a great and pleasing surprise.

The Second Reunion of the Lyman Family.

The prospect of a great and joyful occasion at the second reunion of the LYMANS of this continent at Mount Tom, on Wednesday, Aug. 30, which meeting will be supplemented by a sociable at the Springfield City Hall, at 8 P. M. on the first, is thus sketched by the Springfield *Republican*:

"LYMAN TREMAIN, of Albany, N. Y., will be President of both days and make the opening address on Wednesday, after the meeting is called to order by Rev. Dr. LYMAN COLEMAN, professor at Lafayette College, at Easton, Penn., who presided two years ago, and who is now in town, working up the programme. Rev. Dr. COLEMAN will follow Mr. TREMAIN with a historical address on the 'Characteristics of the Lymans,' in agriculture, politics, military life, society and religion—a comprehensive address, which will be sprinkled, no doubt, with interesting reminiscences. In further specification of these characteristics, Rev. JONAH DWIGHT, of Lenox, will speak of their inventions; Col. THEODORE LYMAN, of Brookline, of their military renown; Rev. HUNTINGTON LYMAN, of Marathon, N. Y., of their literary and ministerial celebrities; and this feature of the exercises will close with the toast 'the Lyman girls—many daughters have done virtuously, but these excel them all,' to which a response will be given by Rev. J. H. BURNS, of Huntington, a husband of one of them. Then the reunion of the Lymans to the Holtons, the Stronges, and the Dwights will be discussed by Dr. DAVID P. HOLTON, of New-York, for the first part, and Rev. B. W. DWIGHT, of Clinton, N. Y., for the second and third. Dr. O. B. LYMAN, of Hartford, will read a poem, and then the grand company of LYMANS, possibly 3,000 strong, will sit down by hundreds and by fifties to dine, and subsequently to hear the necrology of the most noted LYMANS who had recently died—David Lyman, of Middlefield, Conn.; Dr. Daniel Lyman, of Woodstock, Conn., Job Lyman, of Vermont, Juba E. Lyman, of Hartford, and Hannah Lyman, of Vassar College. Concerning the latter, HENRY LYMAN, of Montreal, will speak, and Rev. Mr. LYMAN, of Southwick, relative to this Hartford lady, who, by the way, did much of the work on the genealogical chart of the family. All this will make a heavy day's work, but undoubtedly the vigorous descendants of him of High Ongar of England will be equal to the task, and as a sufficient guarantee that all things will be done decently and in order, and with dispatch, it need only be stated that Gen. LUKE LYMAN, of Northampton, will be Marshal of the day. At night the race will betake themselves to the Springfield and Northampton hotels, and to the homes of kith and kin up and down the valley, to reassemble the next day for the sociable at the City Hall."

Fighting for Plunder with Pistols.

About 6 o'clock Saturday night JOHN BREEN of No. 324 East Thirty-sixth-street, was engaged in paying off his hands in the beer saloon, No. 645 Second-avenue, and was suddenly attacked by three men, JOHN PALMER, ROBERT PALMER, and JAMES MEILA, who made a desperate attempt to rob him of the whole of his funds. He made, however, a vigorous defense, drawing his pistol and using it freely. His assailants were also armed, and several shots were exchanged and bottles used to a great extent. In the melée the thieves succeeded in snatching $60. BREEN was slightly wounded, and ROBERT PALMER, one of the assailants, was shot through the arm. In consequence of this mishap he was secured by the Police, and was sent to Bellevue Hospital as a prisoner. The other assailants escaped with their booty.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

During the week ending Saturday, Aug. 12, no specially important sale took place at the Exchange. The total sales of City realty have amounted to $10,000, that being for the premises situated on the west side of Washington-street, consisting of a plot of ground 40 by 75, and a three-story brick house. Messrs. MULLER, WILKINS & Co. made the sale by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of HENRY STANTON, Esq., referee. The property belonging to Mr. H. T. HELMBOLD, at Long Branch, offered by Messrs. A. D. MELLICK, Jr., & BRO., did not obtain a purchaser, for the reason evidently that it was put up as a whole. If it had been put up in separate parcels, it is likely that it would have met with ready sale. The "Col. A. M. Wood farm," at Ingleside, Long Island, sold very readily, and brought prices that were perfectly satisfactory to the parties interested. The whole farm, consisting of about 250 acres, realized the handsome sum of about $66,000. In a private way no sale of consequence has been reported, and business as a general thing has been very dull, with scarcely any inquiry, which can be accounted for by the fact that the majority of those who deal actively in real estate are now out of town, as are also many of the brokers.

SALES FOR THE PRESENT WEEK.

At the Exchange Monday, Aug. 14, Mr. WM. KENNELLY, will sell by order of the Supreme Court, GRATZ NATHAN, Esq., referee, the premises on the south side of Seventieth-street, 395 feet west of Third-avenue, 25 by 100. Also by order of MATHEW T. BRENNAN, Sheriff, on Wednesday, Aug. 16, the four-story brown-stone house and lot, situated on the south side of Thirty-eighth-street, 50 feet west of Seventh-avenue. Mr. JOSEPH MCGUIRE, will also sell, by order of the Supreme Court, GRATZ NATHAN, Esq., referee, on Monday, Aug. 14, three pieces of real estate, located on the north side of Reade-street. For the remainder of the week no other sales are advertised or reported to take place, but several very important sales are spoken of for next week.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—A PLOT OF LAND ON THE south-west corner of 55th-st. and Madison-av.; 45 feet on 55th-st. and 100 feet on Madison-av. Inquire of the owner, JOHN C. SARES, No. 122 West 40th-st., or No. 565 Madison-av.

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O. H. PIERSON, Auctioneer.

BY A. D. MELLICK, JR. & BRO.—Auctioneers and dealers in New-Jersey real estate, No. 1 Pine-street, New-York. WEDNESDAY, Aug. 16, at 12 o'clock, the premises, at public auction, of choice and valuable lots adjoining the West End Hotel property, at LONG BRANCH, N. J. These lots, lying mostly on Pond and Brighton ave., are among the best at Long Branch for business purposes or for residence, and are situated at the centre of the most valuable part of the town.

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A. J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

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WILLIAM E. BURR, GEO. T. M. DAVIS, } Trustees. JAMES M. NELSON, }

JULY 8, 1871.

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MINNESOTA, Capt. E. W. PEARSON, Aug. 30, at 3 P. M.
IDAHO, Capt. PRICE.....Sept. 6, at 11 A. M.
COLORADO, Capt. T. H. FREEMAN.....Sept. 13, at 2 P. M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. WILLIAMS.....Sept. 20, at 10 A. M.
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SECURITY.

Their payment is guaranteed by a lien—first, upon all the real estate or personal property owned by the city, and, secondly, upon all the real estate of the citizens of said city.

The income derived from the use of the water is also pledged to the payment of the bonds and the interest thereon.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF CITY.

The financial condition of the city on the 1st day of July last, was as follows:

Taxable valuation of real estate	$93,615,713 00
Taxable valuation of the personal estate, 1870	10,589,100 00
Total taxable property	$104,090,813 00
Property exempted from taxation, owned by the city, institutions, &c., but held for the Water loan	5,481,662 00
Total value	$109,662,475 00

CITY DEBT.

The funded debt of the city is as follows:

1st. A loan to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, due Jan. 1, 1876 $200,000 00

To meet this the city holds the same amount of the bonds of said railroad secured by a first mortgage upon the road in Rhode Island, and also funds in the hands of the Trustee of the Sinking Fund of this loan, amounting to $114,484 07.

2d. A loan issued in 1855 for public improvements of various kinds made prior to that date, payable Sept. 1, 1895, for 600,000 00

To meet this the Trustees of the Sinking Fund have in their hands securities amounting to $29',675 94.

In addition to which there is an annual payment to this fund by the city, of $10,000.

3d. A loan issued in 1863 for expenses growing out of the enlistment of soldiers, payment of bounties, &c., payable Jan. 1, 1893, for 200,000 00

To meet this the Trustees of this Sinking Fund have in their hands securities amounting to $80,347 21.

In addition to which there is an annual payment to this fund by the city of $1,000.

4th. The floating debt incurred for public works, such as opening streets, erecting public buildings and introducing the water for which it is proposed to issue these bonds, amounting to 1,560,000 00

Of this sum the Water Commissioners have drawn $1,000,000

There is cash on hand 225,000 —1,225,000 00

Leaving the actual floating debt, say 335,000 00

An examination of the above statement shows that the funded debt of the city is more than provided for, as the several sinking funds, with their collaterals, are sufficient, without the additional annual payments from the Treasury, to pay their respective loans at maturity.

The amount of the floating debt above what will be repaid from the sale of the water bonds is so small as to make it safe to say that the City of Providence with a valuation of $109,662,475, has no debt.

POPULATION.

The population of the city by the census of 1870 was 68,906, and is increasing more rapidly than at any previous period of her history, and there has been expended within the past seven years by the city for permanent public improvements more than $1,000,000.

With the above facts, the Water Loan of the City of Providence may be placed in the first class of securities, and is beyond a question.

CHARACTER OF PROPOSALS.

"The Committee of the City Council of the City of Providence on the City Debt" invite proposals for any portion of four millions of dollars of the Water Loan of said city, to be issued as per the annexed circular. Said proposals to be indorsed "Proposals for Water Loan," and to be transmitted sealed to Benjamin Tripp, City Treasurer of Providence, on or before 12 o'clock M., THURSDAY, the 24th day of August, 1871.

The proposals to be in the form hereunto annexed. Upon opening them the Committee will decide whether the loan shall be a five or six per cent. loan, and unless otherwise arranged, it will be payable at the City Treasurer's office in the City of Providence. The Committee reserve the right also to reject any or all of the bids at their discretion. The loan will be issued within sixty days from the opening of the proposals, and notice of the acceptance of any proposition will be transmitted at once to the party. The bonds are partly engraved and may be issued sooner than the above time if the labor on them can be completed. Interest from the 1st day of July to the date of issue, to be paid by the purchasers in currency at the rate of 1.10 for gold.

THOMAS A. DOYLE, Mayor,
AMOS M. SNOW,
NELSON W. ALDRICH,
STEPHEN WATERMAN,
WILLIAM BINNEY,
Committee.

PROVIDENCE, July 24, 1871.

FORM OF PROPOSAL.

The undersigned will take —— dollars of the Water Loan of the City of Providence, at the rate of —— dollars in currency for each one hundred dollars of said sum. The bonds to be issued in sums of one thousand dollars each, and to bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, or —— will take —— dollars of the same loan issued in similar manner, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and pay —— dollars in currency for each one hundred dollars thereof.

The bonds to be coupon or registered.

BANKING HOUSE OF
Geo. Opdyke & Co.
25 Nassau St.
CORNER OF CEDAR ST.

FOUR PER CENT. interest allowed on current accounts, subject to check at sight.
PRIME INVESTMENTS for trust and other funds always on hand.
INVESTMENT ORDERS promptly executed for Governments, Gold, Bonds and other Securities.
COLLECTIONS WANTED ON CHICAGO, KEOKUK, DES MOINES, IOWA CITY, ST. JOSEPH, and other points in the Western States.

FOR SALE.

New-Orleans, Mobile and Chattanooga Railroad Company (now known as New-Orleans, Mobile and Texas Railroad Company.) First Mortgage Eight Per Cent. Sinking Fund Bonds;
also,
New-York and Boston Railroad Company First Mortgage Seven Per Cent. Gold Bonds, at a large reduction below the subscription prices, by
ALBERT H. NICOLAY,
Banker, Stock Broker and Auctioneer, 49 Pine-st.

SAFE INVESTMENTS.

Illinois Registered 10 per cent. Bonds.
Missouri County 10 per cent. Bonds.
Missouri School 10 per cent. Bonds.
Kansas School 10 per cent. Bonds.
Also, other choice 9 and 10 per cent. securities, payable in this City.
For sale below par by
FITCH & ELLIS, Bankers,
No. 11 Pine-st.

ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE
A Scrip of all issues, wanted by WM. C. GILMAN,
No. 45 Pine-st., corner William-st.

FINANCIAL.

EIGHT PER CENT.
EIGHTEEN SUCCESSFUL YEARS.
First Mortgage Bonds
OF THE
MOBILE & MONTGOMERY
RAILROAD COMPANY,
Indorsed by State of Alabama.
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST
PAYABLE IN GOLD.

After a careful examination, we confidently recommend these bonds, because—

1. They are a first mortgage upon a road already completed, and in successful operation, with net earnings well established for several years, to MORE THAN ENOUGH TO PAY THE INTEREST on all the bonds authorized to be issued.

2. The road is now in such condition as will completely answer the purposes of those who contemplate an extension of Gulf connections between the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers, DISPENSING WITH THE PRESENT STEAM-BOAT SERVICE, OR RAILROAD CONNECTION, AND INCREASING EFFICIENCY OF THE ROAD.

3. The road is 178 miles long, carries interest, $2,500,000, or a little over $12,000 PER MILE; COST OF ROAD OVER $20,000 PER MILE.

4. It connects MOBILE and MONTGOMERY, and is a link in the route from NEW-ORLEANS to NEW-YORK, and also between the GULF and LOUISVILLE, by the assured completion of the road from Montgomery to DECATUR, which bonds by the LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY, who thus display their estimate of the value of the route.

5. They are indorsed and guaranteed by the STATE OF ALABAMA, the value of whose indorsement has been recently tested and fully established.

6. Some of the most careful investors in ENGLAND and this country, after investigation, have bought these bonds for permanent investment, of that now only about $150,000 are on the market, which are for sale at present at 85 and ACCRUED INTEREST, by

SOUTTER & CO.,
NO. 33 WILLIAM-ST.

THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY.
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.
Nos. 261 AND 263 BROADWAY, CORNER OF WARREN-ST.
Capital, - - - - $1,000,000.

Pays Four per Cent. Interest per Annum on Deposit, Subject to Check at Sight.
Pays Five Per Cent. Interest Per Annum on Special Deposits Remaining Six Months or Longer.
Empowered to Act as Financial Agent for States, Corporations, and Individuals.
To Act as Agents of Corporations in Issuing Registering, or Countersigning Certificates.
To Act as Trustees of Mortgages of Railroads and Other Corporations.
To Act as Trustees for Married Women, and May Take Charge of and Manage Their Separate Property.
The Company is a Legal Depositary for Moneys Paid into Court.

D. K. MANGAM, President.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.

TURNER BROTHERS,
M. C. Turner, T. C. Turner, J. Turner, R. Turner, } BANKERS, { A. Turner, C. M. Turner, J. S. Deuke.
No. 14 Nassau-st., N. Y.,
(Corner Pine-st., opposite United States Treasury.)

Interest allowed on daily balances. Certificates of Deposit issued available at all business centres.

Collections made with prompt returns. Stocks, Bonds, Gold, &c., bought and sold on commission. Advances made on approved securities.

Sight Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers on San Francisco.

Desirable investment securities for sale.

VERMILYE & CO.
BANKERS,
16 and 18 Nassau-st., New-York.

DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.
BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION
RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.
MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES
ON
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER FOR SALE $300,000
JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI BONDS,
INTEREST AT THE RATE OF
EIGHT PER CENT.
Per annum, payable 1st of February and 1st of August.
TOTAL DEBT of the County, including these Bonds, is less than $375,000
Assessed valuation of property in 1870 was over $16,000,000
Price 90 and accrued interest.
Further information furnished on application to
W. P. CONVERSE & CO.,
NO. 44 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.

Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company
7 Per Cent.
GOLD BONDS.

Secured by a first mortgage on Road and by a first mortgage on a grant of one million one hundred and sixty thousand acres of the most valuable Lumber Lands in Michigan, free of tax. Coupon or registered. A first-class investment. For sale by
WENSLOW, LANIER & CO.,
No. 27 Pine-st., New-York.

JOHN MUNROE & CO.,
BANKERS,
NO. 8 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,
Issue Circular Letters of Credit for Travelers, and Draw Bills on
MUNROE & CO., No. 7 Rue Scribe, Paris, and ALEXANDER, CUNLIFFE & CO., No. 30 Lombard-st., London.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Aug. 8, 1871.
A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of this Company will be held at its office in Chicago, on the 29th day of November, 1871, at 12 o'clock noon. By order of the Board of Directors.
JOHN NEWELL, President.

INSURANCE STOCKS AND SCRIPS wanted by E. S. BAILEY, No. 66 Wall-st.

SAVINGS BANKS.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 206 and 208 Canal-st., corner of Laight.
SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ON $5 to $5,000.
ASSETS, $9,510,936 14.

MUSICAL.

A GREAT OFFER!!

HORACE WATERS, 481 BROADWAY, N. Y., will dispose of ONE HUNDRED PIANOS, MELODEONS and ORGANS, first-class, new and second-hand, standing Waters at EXTREMELY LOW PRICES FOR CASH DURING THIS MONTH, or will take from $4 to $20 monthly until paid; to rent, and rent allowed if purchased. A new 7-OCTAVE PIANO, the most beautiful style and perfect tone ever made, now on exhibition at 481 Broadway.

THE AMERICAN MUSICAL AGENCY, No. 211 4th-ave., furnishes competent piano and vocal teachers for seminaries; also, good singers and organists. For particulars apply to HENRY SCHRODER, Director.

MEETINGS.

CENTENARY OF SIR WALTER SCOTT.
The members of the St. Andrew's Society of the State of New-York are requested to meet at the Casino, (near the Mall,) in Central Park, on TUESDAY, the 15th inst., at 3½ o'clock precisely, to take part in the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone of the monument to the memory of Sir Walter Scott.
By order of the President.
CHAS. HENDERSON, Secretary.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 4, 1871.
65th DIVIDEND.
A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF EIGHT PER CENT. has this day been declared, payable on demand. AUGUSTUS COLSON, Secretary.

SECURITY INSURANCE COMPANY,
NO. 170 BROADWAY, July 19, 1871.
CAPITAL.....$500,000
SURPLUS.....1,240,000
The Board of Directors have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Seven Per Cent. free from tax, payable Aug. 1, 1871.
JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

THE ATLANTIC DOCK RAILROAD CO.,
No. 1 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, July 31, 1871.
THE COUPONS AND INTEREST ON THE First Mortgage Bonds of said Company, Gold Bonds of the St. Joseph and Denver City Railroad Company, both Eastern and Western Divisions, due Aug. 15, 1871, at New-York, will be paid at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, in the City of New-York, free of tax.
THOMAS E. STOUTH, Treasurer.

THE CHICAGO AND ALTON RAILROAD COMPANY,
CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 7, 1871.
NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.
The stockholders of the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company are hereby notified that a cash dividend of FIVE PER CENT. free of Government tax, has been declared on the preferred and common stock of this Company, out of the earnings of the last six months, payable at the office of the Company's agents, Messrs. F. P. Josup & Co., No. 59 Liberty-st., New-York, on the 15th day of August next, at which time the books will be closed, and reopened for transfers on the 5th day of September next.
W. H. LARRABEE, Secretary.

ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,
NO. 59 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Aug. 4, 1871.
THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF this Company have this day declared a Dividend of two (2) dollars per share, payable on the 1st day of September prox., to stockholders of record at the closing of the transfer-books.
The transfer-books will be closed from 3 P. M. Aug. 12 to the morning of Sept. 2.
J. C. BABCOCK, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE BATCHELDER SILVER PLATING COMPANY,
NO. 120 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Aug. 11, 1871.
THE REGULAR QUARTERLY DIVIDend of Three per Cent. on the capital stock of the Company is payable on and after Sept. 1, at the office of the Company.
The transfer-books will close on Tuesday the 15th inst., and reopen Sept. 1.
W. H. GODDARD, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK, Aug. 3, 1871.
CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURG RAILROAD COMPANY.—A Dividend of Two and One-half per Cent. has this day been declared on the stock of the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad Company, payable on the 15th instant, at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, No. 29 Exchange-place.
The books will close on Saturday, 5th instant, and be reopened 15th instant.
G. A. INGERSOLL, Secretary.

NORWICH AND WORCESTER RAILROAD COMPANY, TREASURER'S OFFICE,
NORWICH, Conn., Aug. 4, 1871.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of this Company will declare a Dividend of Five per Cent. on the 5th inst., payable on Wednesday, the 16th instant, at the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company's office, No. 29 Exchange-place, New-York, to stockholders whose names are on the stock ledger, at the close of business on Saturday, the 5th instant.
G. L. PERKINS, Treasurer.

THE ST. NICHOLAS NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK, NO. 7 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, July 26, 1871.
DIVIDEND.—THE DIRECTORS OF THIS bank have declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., free of all taxes, payable on and after 14th August next.
The transfer-books will be closed from the 1st to the 14th prox.
A. PARKHURST, Cashier.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

STATE OF NEW-YORK,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
ALBANY, Aug. 1, 1871.
TO THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.—Sir: Notice is hereby given that at the General Election to be held in this State on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November next, the following officers are to be elected, viz:
A Secretary of State, in the place of Homer A. Nelson;
A Controller, in the place of Asher P. Nichols;
A Treasurer, in the place of Wheeler H. Bristol;
An Attorney-General, in the place of Marshall B. Champlain;
A State Engineer and Surveyor, in the place of Van Rensselaer Richmond;
A Canal Commissioner, in the place of George W. Chapman;
An Inspector of State Prisons, in the place of David H. McNeil.
All the above terms of office will expire on the last day of December next.
Also, a Justice of the Supreme Court for the First Judicial District, in the place of Josiah Sutherland, whose term of office will expire on the last day of December next.
Also, a Senator for the Fourth Senate District, comprising the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Wards of the City and County of New-York.
Also, a Senator for the Fifth Senate District, comprising the Eighth, Ninth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth Wards of the City and County of New-York.
Also, a Senator for the Sixth Senate District, comprising the Tenth, Eleventh and Seventeenth Wards of the City and County of New-York.
Also, a Senator for the Seventh Senate District, comprising the Eighteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first Wards of the City and County of New-York.
Also, a Senator for the Eighth Senate District, comprising the Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards of the City and County of New-York.
COUNTY OFFICERS.—Also, to be elected for said County:
Twenty-six Members of Assembly;
Two Justices of the Supreme Court, in the place of Samuel Jones and James C. Spencer;
A Judge in the Court of Common Pleas, in the place of Charles P. Daly;
A Judge of the Marine Court, in the place of Henry Alker;
A Recorder, in the place of Michael Connolly;
Two Inspectors of Election for each Election District, in the place of the present Inspectors of Election.
All whose terms of office will expire on the last day of December next.
The attention of Town and City Election Boards, Inspectors of Election, and all others concerned, is directed to Chapter 712 of the Laws of 1871, herewith printed, as to the supply of ballot-boxes, form of ballots, and manner of conducting votes, to wit:
AN ACT in relation to the election of Representatives in Congress, Senators, and Members of Assembly.
Passed April 25, 1871; three-fifths being present.
The People of the State of New-York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:
SECTION 1. At each annual or special election at which a Representative in Congress, Senator or Member of Assembly is to be elected, it shall be the duty of the

PRISON ATROCITIES.

The Inquisition Revived at the Sing Sing Prison.

Terrible Instruments of Torture Now in Vogue—The "Trapeze," the "Bed of Roses," and the "Grave-Yard"—Indescribable Sufferings of the Victims.

For more than forty years Sing Sing Prison has been a den of horrors. Within its gloomy precincts convicts have been lashed with the cat, tortured with the crucifix, murdered with the shower-bath. Yet crime is on the increase. The inhumanities of the past have taught nothing, save perhaps a perfection in the art of torture. And, to-day, the prison stands a bitter reproach to the system which engenders it; a monument to official incompetency, corruption and brutality. A reporter, who has spent some time in investigating this matter, presents the following as a portion of the fruits of his labor:

A PRISON RUNNING ITSELF.

One morning, not long ago, he called upon Mr. JAMES RIDER, the efficient Sing Sing Chief of Police, and stated that he desired to visit the prison in company with that official. The Chief consented, and shortly afterward both drove past the prison guard-house, on the way to the Agent's and Warden's office. Upon entering the prison yard, the first individual met was a convict, leisurely driving behind a handsome trotter.

"Whose horse is that?" asked the reporter.

"Oh, that's the Warden's," answered an official, whom we met at the same moment.

"Did I see the Agent?" was the next query.

"No, he's off fishing."

"Is the Prison Clerk here?"

"No, she's off to Albany."

"Can I see the principal keeper?"

The official laughed, as he answered: "No; he's home sick, I think." And thus an institution costing 1,200 criminals who have arrived at a responsible state of maturity.

The prison telephone operator, fearful of his visitors that they might "go through" if they desired, and so they proceeded at once to the punishment-room. PAT. SHINNESS, a convicted murderer, was in charge. A keeper sleeping soundly on a sofa near the door. He was soon awakened, however. After exchanging salutations with the chief, he asked the object of the visit. The chief answered that he wanted to show the reporter the punishment-room. Whereupon the keeper gasped for breath; then his face reddened, as he growled fiercely, and said:

"No, you can't go in there. We don't have newspaper men nor visitors in there."

To this the visitor mildly inquired if there was a little inquisition there which it was desirable to have concealed. The only answer to this was that it didn't "make any difference."

The prison officials are all anxious to conceal their doings from the public. Not long since the Inspector of State Prisons said to an officer who was suspected of criticising the irregularities of some brother officers, "We expect officers to bring their mouths shut in this place."

THE TRAPEZE TORTURE.

Yet despite official precautions, it has been discovered that two new instruments of torture are in vogue at the prison. When a legislative enactment abolished the use of the shower-bath, cat-o'nine-tails and cat-o'-nine-tails in our penal institutions, every humane citizen applauded. It was not thought that instruments of torture equally severe would supply their places. The first impression was erroneous will be readily conceded, on learning the operations of that mysterious room so carefully shielded from public observation. In this room is what the prison officers facetiously term "the trapeze." It consists of two thin tarred ropes run over a pulley. A harmless-looking contrivance, yet it never fails to drive the color from the face of a convict who expects to feel its power. The ends of these ropes are fastened to the thumbs of the convict who is to be punished. Then one man, by PAT SHINNESS, the convict jailer, and the other, assisted by [illegible] his back. As that cause [illegible] in mid-air, his entire [illegible] The quick succeeding pains are felt in every part of his body, and every fibre quivers with keenest agony. The tendons of the arms are stretched to their fullest length, and seem like red-hot wires in the man's flesh. Elbow joints and shoulder-blades swap as if ready to separate, and the thumbs swollen and black with compressed blood often actually split open. At this point, the miserable wretch, filled with terror, happily sinks into insensibility. When released he is generally unable to walk by reason of temporary paralysis.

One keeper, who was questioned concerning "the trapeze," said to the reporter:

"I've seen men hung up till their thumbs swelled out like a bullfrog's head. The rope cuts right into the flesh as soon as a man is swung clear from the floor. Very often a man will faint while hanging. When they get through with a man on the 'trapeze' he very frequently gets chucked into a dark cell. Next day he may get hauled out and hung up again."

"How long are convicts subjected to this torture?" was asked.

"Sometimes for over an hour. But a good many men will faint before that time's up," was the answer.

A MURDERER AS TORTURER.

The convict PAT SHINNESS does all the punishing. He is a big, brawny fellow, who murdered a more boy.

Mr. WM. S. REYNOLDS, an able gentleman, who for twenty years has served alternately as private detective and prison officer, said, while the reporter was pursuing the investigations:

"Things are not working as they should at the prison. In regard to the convict's punishments, let me give an incident or two. One morning, HARRY SEYMOUR, a convict, had some words with his keeper. He was ordered to take his bucket and go to the principal keeper's office. Of course, that meant punishment, and the convict knew it. Some more words passed between the convict and the keeper, a man named DOUGHTY. The next thing I saw was the two men in the Hall, having put up $25. Then Seymour got slobbered pretty badly, so much that when he went into the punishment-room he fell back completely exhausted. While he was lying that way, with his head back, PAT SHINNESS walked up and struck him twice, full in the face. I reported SHINNESS, but nothing was done in the matter."

This convict, SHINNESS, has so much influence with "the powers that be," that he does not scruple at insulting even the keepers. One more incident concerning him:

MR. REYNOLDS having occasion to punish a convict, brought the "trapeze" into requisition. While the convict was hanging helpless by his thumbs, he began to scream with agony. SHINNESS ordered him to "shut up." But the man yelled again. At this the murderer stepped to the man's side and struck him a heavy blow under the ear. MR. REYNOLDS sprang to the rescue and lowered the man quickly, finding, as he did so, that he was unconscious. The ruffian, SHINNESS, was ordered from the room by the indignant keeper, and afterward reported; but no notice was taken of the complaint.

ALFRED LOCKE is proprietor of a hotel in Sing Sing. Several keepers board at his hotel. Upon asking this gentleman if he knew anything about the tortures of the prison, he made the following answer:

"Not long ago a keeper who still holds a position at the prison made an outrageous statement at my dinner-table, in the hearing of several gentlemen. He said that he had hung a man up that day for over an hour; that he was going to take him out of the dark cell next day and give him more. He concluded by swearing that he would hang him up until he would never be able to do another day's work."

"Did he hang the man on the following day?"

"Yes, I believe he did. I heard some of the men talking about it."

THE BED OF ROSES.

But there is still another favorite method of reducing refractory convicts to submission, which is fully as bad as the trapeze. The dark cells are stone dungeons seven feet long, three and a half feet wide, and six feet high, with a solid iron door that shuts off all ventilation. In one of these dark cells is a companion piece to "the trapeze." It is termed the "Bed of Roses." This luxurious couch is a stout wooden flooring, which covers the cell bottom. Upon this frame is fastened half spheres of hard wood, about the size of billiard balls cut in halves. These are secured rigidly, with the rounded surface turned upward. The prisoner to be punished is forced to lie upon the "bed," after he has been deprived of his coat, shoes and stockings. A few days in a cell containing this worse than stony bed, and a reeking, poisonous atmosphere, reduces the convict to a state of utter physical and mental weakness. In vain he seeks for rest in [illegible] for he is a prisoner of state. The [illegible] hard knobs press into his flesh, with all his body with a thousand pangs; every motion increases his tortures, but his cries for mercy meet with no response. When he leaves his dungeon it is with blinded vision and unsteady gait, with limbs bruised, and body [illegible] sore throughout.

Men are often confined in these dark cells for a period of three weeks at a time, occasionally for months. During that time many of disease and death are implanted, which yield their harvest speedily. In the year last the effect of solitary confinement was tested thoroughly in Auburn Prison. The cells were placed compared with the black holes of Sing Sing. Yet notwithstanding this fact the prisoners suffered terribly. [illegible] eighty convicts confined. One died before [illegible] had expired, one became hopelessly insane, other jumped out of his cell and eyes [illegible] when his keeper's eyes were turned. Two [illegible] killed. The Governor finally found it [illegible] unable to pardon twenty-six convicts in order to save their lives.

Some of the ordinary cells are very damp and unhealthy, almost as bad as the dark cells. At night the flagging along one of the galleries is as wet as if water had been drawn over the stones with a mop. This gallery is called the "graveyard" by the convicts.

PRISON DISCIPLINE.

Discipline at the prison hardly deserves that name now. Undue favors are shown some convicts, unlawful severity exercised toward others. The former, with but few honorable exceptions, are incompetent. Most of the punishments inflicted are due to that fault as well as to the introduction of rum within the prison walls. It is not very strange, moreover, that convicts get drunk when such bright examples are set by their keepers. Numerous rum bills, incurred by prison officials, have been shown to our reporter, and ALFRED LOCKE swears that he has seen officers mild "drink, gamble and do other things not fit to be named." He has seen a keeper "so drunk that he could hardly sit in his seat." And the convicts saw that man's degradation. Rum is frequently smuggled into the prison, not sometimes the convicts go outside of the limits for it. Two vendors of whisky in the ancient town of Sparta, say that convicts are in the habit of patronising their saloons. In most cases the convict "treats" his officer in charge. When a prisoner drinks rum he gets ugly. Then "the trapeze" is brought into requisition. But the officer who allowed him to buy the rum escapes scot free.

PERQUISITES.

It follows that if an official can be bribed to sell rum, his favors can be purchased in other matters. It is not surprising, then, that Mr. ALFRED LOCKE should have sworn, some months ago, to the truth of the statements. Says Mr. LOCKE: "The common talk in the prison, and the general belief, is that convicts who have money or can control it may have very easy positions. The impression is very general that a refuge in the [illegible] being taken care of in sickness. I have been told by convicts in whom I have confidence that they had in this way secured more desirable positions. One said that he had procured a place in the hospital as a patient, by paying $20; another that he had had a place promised there for $25, which he paid, and the place was then refused him unless he would pay $5 more, and said fine for the place of hall-boy, which he never got, because the keeper who had promised it to him ran away."

Our reporter called upon a keeper to ask him about these charges of bribery at the prison.

Said the keeper: "I will tell you of one little incident, and you can draw your own conclusions. I had charge of a gang in which a convict named JOHN [illegible] worked. He had saved about $400, which he had made by overwork. This became known to some of the officers, and what should turn up but one day comes an order from the Doctor to bring RILEY into the Hospital. Now, he was [illegible] as well as I am, and I knew what it was for. One day RILEY comes to me and says I want to come back to work. I ain't sick. I've got a little sugar (money) and them blokes in the Hospital is tryin to bleed me; but I won't be bled.' I wouldn't have him back, for I knew what he was taken away for."

In connection with the above, take the following extract from an intercepted letter, written by one convict to another, and not intended for other eyes:

"FRIEND JIM: Yours was duly received, and I now endeavor to overcome my natural lastness by answering it. I will deliver your message to POLE, but it is only one I shall take out for any one. You must [illegible] much my hands during the first week in next month. I am going to take out about forty letters, and will stow it away among them so it will be safe. Suppose JOE is down by this time, and LIDIA still [illegible] assistant. POLE told me that JOE's time was up the day that he (POLE) was here, and that he would have JOE's fine remitted. I wonder how it is that everybody is down on GRIMES. When he first came in he was in the Hall, having put up $25. Then he got up $75 more and got in the hospital. In a week or two he got run outof there and went back in the Hall. Then he 'fixed' [illegible] and got back in the hospital, and has been there ever since. I heard he got a head put on him recently, but cannot vouch for it, though I've heard a dozen threaten him."

Each officer has in his employ a convict who acts as clerk. This clerk has access to convicts who desire favors. It is quite safe to use a convict clerk, for his oath will not be taken in Courts of law or before investigating committees. Consequently, if a doctor, clerk or warden goes to the prison a poor man, and although not receiving more than $1,500 a year, commences to buy fine horses, expensive jewelry, and valuable real estate, all that people can do is to shake their heads and keep up a lively thinking.

THE COMING CHINESE.

Rev. James Beecher on the Chinese Question—Why They Should be Received.

Rev. JAMES BEECHER, of Elmira, N. Y., delivered his second lecture on China, in Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, last night, before a large audience. He opened by remarking that while it had always been the duty of Christian churches and ministers to spread the Gospel, it appeared to be especially the case with America today; and although for many years efforts have been made to convert Chinamen on their own soil with almost imperceptible results, new encouragement is given by the evident designing God to bring them to this land for instruction. The question, said he, that presents itself is, whether we will open our doors and receive them gladly, or take such action as shall repel them. It is, however, to be remembered that when God knocks at the door and it is not opened, He sometimes puts His foot to it and forces an entrance; tearing down at the same time the whole side of the house. The opposition that has been shown to the Chinese looks curiously alongside of the welcome that has been shown to all other foreigners, and that, too, when it is remembered that many of these foreigners never will assimilate with our native population. We extend a welcome to one element which, by its religious and social prejudices, is found in every way antagonistic to our institutions, and to oppose the emigration of a race who combine a greater number of favorable characteristics than any other people who seek our shores. We have thrown our doors wide open to the whole world, and said, 'Come in;' and all the world that was good for working has come in; and when a class of emigrants who are not bigoted and not dangerously superstitious approach us we assume a hostile position. Shall we have no emigrants but those who will claim a monopoly of power in the land, not only in the poorhouses and jails, but also on the streets and in the halls of legislation? Are we to welcome no emigration but that which comes so powerful that it at once fills both sides of our Courts? Shall we have no emigration but that which furnishes a tenth of our criminals, and in New-York the whole of the Judges? Can we have an emigration in this country that is willing to be governed? These are practical questions. I do not wish to place the Chinese above Christians, or make them out to be saints; but I do say that with perhaps the exception of the Swedes and some of the Germans, they are by far the most desirable emigrants who have ever come to our country. There is, however, an objection raised to them on the ground that they are idolaters; but if time be taken to examine the accusation it will be found that the Chinese are not idolaters, and secondly, that their peculiar views concerning the Deity are such as always accompany undeveloped civilization. After five years' residence in China, I can say that I never saw a Chinaman who was an idolater, nor did I ever see a Chinaman who ever saw a Chinaman who was an idolater. The idols are used merely as symbols; they serve to bring the Deity near to the people; and in this they differ but little from many Christians. After speaking in this manner for some time, Mr. BEECHER proceeded to describe the Chinese mode of worship, and said that for all he could see it was purely mechanical. Gongs, drums and fire-crackers everywhere appear to be looked upon as indispensable elements for successful worship. The mode of praying is decidedly peculiar. On purchasing an idol, for which perhaps twenty-five cents has been paid, a bundle of printed prayers are made ready, and at stated times these are selected and burned, thereby transferring the written petition, along with the smoke that consumed it, to heaven. The gods of the Chinese, however, are numberless; they have a deity for everything; and all professions, believing included, has its object of worship. There is, however, an idea prevailing that above all these minor gods there is one supreme, but that He being unable to attend to little things they are left in the charge of these sub-deities. After dealing with the subject at length, Mr. BEECHER concluded by showing the only mode of dealing with them was to receive gladly those whom God has brought to our shores.

Cricket.

The most interesting of our local cricket matches is the annual contest between the New-York and St. George Clubs, which is named to be played on Wednesday and Thursday next, at Hoboken. As New-York can present quite a strong eleven this year, the contest promises to be an exciting one, and is likely to result in favor of New-York.

THE MIDNIGHT MURDER.

Further Developments in the Eighth-Avenue Mystery.

Identification of the Victim—Discovery, Pursuit and Capture of the Assassin—A Clever Piece of Police Work—A Singular Case of Circumstantial Evidence.

Owing to the skill and perseverance of Capt. CAFFREY and Detective MCCONNELL, of the Twentieth Precinct, the mystery attending the affair at the corner of Eighth-avenue and Thirty-sixth-street, has been completely dispelled. The facts as they were then known were told in full in the TIMES of yesterday, but they showed only that a man with his skull crushed had been found on the place stated, about 1 o'clock Saturday morning; that he had died while being taken to the Station-house, and that all efforts then made to discover the identity of the dead man, or the manner in which he came to his death, had proved fruitless. Since then, however, not only have all these facts been ascertained, but the assassin has been discovered, tracked from one lair to another, and is now in custody, confronted with circumstantial evidence of his guilt that is considered irrefutable.

The story of the unraveling of this singular crime is not only interesting, but instructive, as showing that the protection of human life is a function not yet abandoned by the Police. When the dead man was carried into his Station-house, Capt. CAFFREY had nothing whatever to begin his work with. His first fruitless labors, extending through many hours, during which his detectives never rested for a moment, have been told. Finally, at midnight of Saturday, friends searching for a missing man, were sent to the Morgue to view the body, and an hour after returned to Capt. CAFFREY, saying the body was that of PATRICK MCNAMARA, a native of Ireland, twenty-nine years of age, who had no family, was a laborer, and boarded with Mrs. FOND, at No. 345 West Thirty-fifth street. He had thus been killed almost at his own door, and Detective MCCONNELL went instantly to work with this starting point to find who was the dead man's companion on the last night of his life. He speedily found that man was JOHN KEEFE, also a laborer, twenty-eight years of age, living at No. 311 East Forty-eighth-street, and like the other, unmarried; but he could not trace them together later than about 10 o'clock. At that time they had been drinking in a saloon at Forty-fourth-street and Third-avenue, and were both intoxicated. KEEFE was then declaring his intention of seeing MCNAMARA home, and after that all trace of them was lost. With the aid of some relatives of the deceased, MCCONNELL began the search for KEEFE. It was found that he had returned home at an early hour of Saturday morning, that he had slept until 11 o'clock, had then gone away, after vainly trying to borrow a clean shirt and fifty cents from his landlady. All his usual haunts were then searched without success, the shanties on the up-town rocks, where it was thought he might be hiding, were visited, and the pursuit was continued unceasingly during all of Saturday and the succeeding night. Finally yesterday morning one of the relatives of the deceased, all of whom were as sleuth hounds on the trail of the fugitive found KEEFE in the house, No. 308 Pearl-street. He called a Fourth Precinct patrolman, and the suspected man was arrested and delivered to Capt. ALLAIRE, who notified Capt. CAFFREY. The latter sent Sergt. HEATH after the prisoner, who was delivered at the Twentieth Precinct Station-house yesterday afternoon.

Meantime Capt. CAFFREY had been successfully searching for some positive evidence. Mr. DANIEL ONDERDONK, of No. 310 West Thirty-sixth-street, stated that while lying awake, about 1 o'clock on Saturday morning, he heard loud talking in the street, near his house. One man seemed, from the words he caught, to be urging another to go home, which that one refused to do until he got satisfaction. Mr. ONDERDONK fell asleep again, with this wrangling in his ears. But a far more important witness was found in Mr. JOHN BERRYMAN, of No. 353 West Thirty-sixth-street. This gentleman alighted from an Eighth-avenue car at Thirty-sixth-street about 1 o'clock in the morning, and started home through Thirty-sixth-street toward Ninth-avenue. A few feet from Eighth-avenue he was compelled to stop, and being concealed himself behind a truck, became a witness of the whole scene until a moment before the fatal blow was given. His attention was attracted to two men quarrelling on the corner, neither of whom he saw at any time with sufficient distinctness to describe or identify them. But he heard their words, and within the first moment knew one was named "PATSEY" and the other "JACK." The first that Mr. BERRYMAN heard was PATSEY saying: "JACK, I'm going away from you. I won't have nothing more to do with you." With that, he moved toward Ninth-avenue, and was followed by JACK. A few feet from the corner, and almost brushing Mr. BERRYMAN, without either of them seeing him, the two men stopped, and JACK said: "PATSEY, I want to have an understanding with you. I always liked you, and I want to know why you treated me this way to-night. My head aches yet from the blow you gave me." PATSEY, in answer, said something about money, in so low a voice that Mr. BERRYMAN did not hear it distinctly; but it was something that angered JACK, who said, I wouldn't have taken half what I have from you to-night if I had thought that was what ailed you," and with the words he struck the other a blow with his fist. JACK then walked away to Eighth-avenue, followed by PATSEY, and thus getting out of his line of vision, Mr. BERRYMAN crossed the street and stood in the shade of a house-stoop. From this point the two men on the corner, PATSEY and JACK step into the street and stoop down, but did not see him raise anything. Saw him step back and while the two men stood some feet apart, saw a man pass down the avenue, who, as it afterward proved, was Mr. RYDER. Just before he passed, Mr. BERRYMAN heard JACK say abruptly, "stand where you are PATSEY, stand where you are. I'm a bad man PATSEY. There's nobody around here can handle me." After Mr. RYDER passed, Mr. BERRYMAN heard no more, and after a moment he concluded it was a trivial quarrel, which would speedily end in the two men's shaking hands, and turning about he went home. Just as he turned he noticed a man limping up Eighth-avenue. That man was Mr. HANKE, who a moment later found MCNAMARA dying on the pavement, with his skull crushed. Mr. BERRYMAN did not know any violence had been committed until he saw it in the newspapers, yet neither he nor Mr. HANKE could have been a dozen yards away when the fatal blow was given, and both would have seen the murder if they had happened to be looking toward the men at the moment. The attention of one was not attracted at all, and that of the other had been diverted. The two men on the corner spoke in ordinary tones, and neither gave evidence of intending serious mischief.

Just as Mr. BERRYMAN had concluded making his statement to Capt. CAFFREY, the prisoner KEEFE was brought in from the Fourth Precinct. He was examined at once, and freely admitted that he was with the deceased in Third-avenue, Friday, and started to see him home, but could not tell where he left him, although he thought it was at Sixth or Seventh avenue. He claimed that both of them were drunk, and in reply to the questions of Capt. CAFFREY admitted that he fatally addressed the deceased as PATSEY, while the latter sometimes called him JACK. He denied all knowledge of the murder, and said PATSEY had been his friend since childhood. Mr. BERRYMAN had said that he thought he could recognize the voice of either of the two men. After the prisoner was taken from the room, he said "That is the man who was called JACK." As a case of circumstantial evidence, Capt. CAFFREY thought it complete, and the prisoner was locked up in the Twentieth Precinct Station-house, to await the result of the inquest which will be held today. The facts which have been given in the TIMES having been told to the jury, it is probable a verdict will be rendered against the prisoner, and he will then be committed to await the action of the Grand Jury. What seemed an impenetrable mystery, has been solved by keen, intelligent Police work, which has gone further than the events of that one night, and found that the prisoner formerly lived in Salisbury, Conn., where, it is alleged, he brutally assaulted a man, and was compelled to fly to New-York, only two weeks ago. He denied this, however, in common with all other damaging statements of the friends of the murdered man, which tend to show that he spoke only the truth of himself when he said, "I'm a bad man, PATSEY."

Another Victim of the Westfield Disaster.

Information was received at the Coroner's office, yesterday, of the death at the German Hospital, of JOHN D. CLARK, of No. 151 West Twenty-sixth-street, who was severely scalded in the Westfield explosion, and died of his injuries.

OTHER MURDEROUS CRIMES.

Attempted Murder in Baxter-Street.

An affray occurred yesterday morning at the corner of Baxter and Bayard streets, in which DENNIS O'CONNOR, who was intoxicated, was attacked by JOHN CULLEN, of No. 70 Baxter-street, who stabbed him in the left breast, inflicting a serious wound. The assailant fled immediately, and has not yet been arrested, but he is well known to the Police, and will soon be captured. His brother, who was with him at the time, was taken to the Sixth Precinct Station-house, where he is held as a witness. The wounded man was removed to the Park Hospital. His wound being considered dangerous, Coroner YOUNG was called to take his ante-mortem statement. He said he was standing on the corner of Baxter and Bayard streets with two other men, after having been quarreling in a liquor-store. O'CONNOR had been in the store, and there some words had passed between him and the two CULLENS, one of whom called him a "snoozer," and he had answered with the epithet of liar. They then appear to have gone away from him, but one of them afterward returned and plunged the knife into him. Upon this evidence a verdict was rendered against JOHN CULLEN, and a warrant was issued by the Coroner for his arrest.

Persistency of Mike Coburn's Friends—Dangerous Condition of His Victim.

It appears that the Coburn roughs have not desisted from their attempts to secure the release of MIKE COBURN, who is in custody for a brutal assault upon CHARLES BRUNNER. Although constantly rebuked by Coroner HERRMAN, they have persecuted the wounded man with visits from pliant physicians of their selection, whom they sent to see him with the view of obtaining certificate that he is out of danger. Coroner HERRMAN had twice told them that he should not respect any certificate they might bring, but it appears that on Saturday a fellow claiming to be a physician called at the house of the injured man, and demanded to see him. Mrs. BRUNNER, having been instructed to this effect by Capt. GUNNER, of the Nineteenth Police Precinct, refused admission to the applicant, who thereupon announced that he was from the Coroner. The lady demanded the written statement of the Coroner to that effect, and the intruder departed. The persecutions of the friends of the assassin became finally so monstrous that yesterday Capt. GUNNER was compelled to order the patrolman on the post to keep special guard over the house of Mr. BRUNNER, who last night had become so much worse that there was little hope of his recovery. It was believed that the friends of MIKE COBURN were aware of the dangerous condition of the victim, and intended to procure his release from the Tombs before the death should occur, in order that he might fly from the City.

Mysterious Death.

An unknown man about fifty years of age, five feet five inches in height, with light brown hair, somewhat thinned, and gray whiskers, dressed in a black frock coat and vest, black cassimere pantaloons, a white felt hat with a brown band, heavy cowhide boots, white shirt and red flannel under-shirt, was found dead early yesterday morning by ANDREW SMITH, in a newly-dug cellar at the corner of One Hundred and Ninth-street and First-avenue. By his side when found lay JOHN DOUGHERTY asleep, and it was evident that both had fallen in there while intoxicated. The body was sent to the Morgue, and DOUGHERTY was held as a witness, though he loudly protested that he did not even know the dead man's name.

A Murderous Assault with a Knife.

JOHN C. BUTLER, who resides at No. 201 East Twenty-fourth-street, was yesterday morning charged with felonious assault and battery, before Alderman CUDDY, at the Essex Market Police Court. The complainant, ROBERT SANDERS, resides at No. 330 Avenue A. He was directed to be detained in custody to give BUTLER an opportunity to set forth the facts of the assault in the form of an affidavit. SANDERS is confined in Bellevue Hospital, and his condition is said to be serious.

Another Assault with an Iron Bar.

JOHN MCCARTHY, of No. 45 Scammel-street, while standing at the corner of Montgomery and Cherry streets, yesterday morning, was struck on the head by JAMES GRIFFIN with a piece of iron which looked like a marlin-spike, cutting him very badly. GRIFFIN was brought to the Essex Market Police Court a few minutes after the assault, and held to answer.

Christian Reformation in New-York—Sermon by Rev. Charles T. Lee.

Rev. CHARLES T. LEE preached, yesterday morning, in Chickering Hall, on "Christian Reformation in this City." The text was a part of the first and the second verse of the fifty-second chapter of Isaiah, which reads as follows: "Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion! put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem! the holy city. Shake thyself from the dust; arise and sit down, O Jerusalem; loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion!"

After referring to the City of New-York as the great commercial metropolis of the Western world, sitting mistress of the seas, he said that the great and prevailing crime of her citizens was the inordinate love and unremitting pursuit of wealth. There were, however, he said, noble examples of men of wealth, who know how to wisely and beneficently dispose of it. Such men deserved wealth, but the influence of Christianity on their minds alone must be attributed to the humane uses to which they had devoted it. What the City needed was Christianity, not only in the church-pew, but in the counting-house, by the desk, and amid bonds and stocks. The wicked and rougher elements of society must be reclaimed by the benign influences of a sympathetic and Christian spirit. Though the progress might be slow and sometimes discouraging, yet as a towering iceberg floating down from a frigid zone gradually disappears before the rays of a Southern sun, so will wickedness disappear before the melting warmth of Christian kindness. The wretchedness occasioned by the present tenement-house system was next to be deplored. He had had occasion to visit and explore the condition of the inhabitants of some of these dwellings, and the misery there disclosed was such as should awaken the earnest efforts of every Christian. Nothing can remedy this evil so effectually as putting in practice the principles of the Gospel. Landlords of such seem to be conscious of the misery and wretchedness for which they are responsible. In conclusion, he urged the necessity of all acting the part of the good Samaritan. To all who were laboring for the amelioration of human misery and the elevation and reformation of the fallen and forgotten in this City, whether such laborers were Catholic or Episcopalian, Methodist or Presbyterian, he tendered the cordial right hand of fellowship. Let them persevere, and not far in the future we shall behold a City of law-abiding and Christian people.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

Another chapter of the Second-avenue car outrage was presented yesterday, in the death at Bellevue Hospital, of THOMAS OWENS, who had one of his legs crushed at the same time with JOHN DELTOUR, of No. 55 Hester-street, who died some days since. All the facts of the case, so far as they have been ascertained, have several times been given in the TIMES. The affair is yet under investigation.

WM. H. TINCKLER, of No. 305 West Thirty-fourth-street, died, yesterday, in Bellevue Hospital, on account of injuries received on Saturday from being run over by a Third-avenue car. An inquest will be held. JACOB AUBER died, yesterday, in Bellevue Hospital, from injuries received by being run over by a Forty-second-street car, in Cannon-street. Inquests will be held by Coroner YOUNG.

A gang of west-side roughs attacked Officer THOMPSON yesterday, in West Houston-street, as he was carrying EDWARD PATRICK HANNIGAN to the Station-house, and succeeded in rescuing his prisoner. One of the gang, named THOMPSON, having wrested his club from him, dislocated his arm with it. The ruffian THOMPSON was, however, arrested.

An unknown boy, about twelve years of age, dressed in a brown linen suit, with straw hat, striped shirt, laced shoes and striped socks, fell overboard yesterday, at the foot of West Fortieth-street, while jumping from one oyster-boat to another, and was drowned. The Coroner was notified, and the body was ordered to be sent to the Morgue.

The pier at the foot of Eighteenth-street, North River, is in a dilapidated condition. The planks with which it is covered are rotten in many places, while in others they have been carried away by young dock thieves. Great holes are left wholly unprotected. Excursion parties often land here after nightfall.

On Saturday night LEOPOLD STEIN, a jeweller, of No. 677 Eighth-avenue, was attacked by two men and knocked down on the sidewalk, but was rescued by an officer, who also arrested one of the men, named CHARLES VAN BLARAM. He was yesterday committed to answer, without bail, by Alderman PLUNKETT.

Yesterday morning the body of a youth about sixteen years old, having red hair, was found in the East River at Forty-second-street, and taken to the Morgue. It had on a red flannel shirt, high laced shoes, white stockings, white handkerchief with yellow border around the neck, and a leather apron.

One of the largest Sabbath-school buildings in the City is that of St. Peter's Church, (Rev. Dr. BEACH,) which is just being completed. It is of Philadelphia brick, and adjoins the church.

The shell of one of the first Methodist churches built in this City still stands in West Twentieth-street. It was erected when that part of the City was little less than a wilderness. It is of wood, has been transformed into a dwelling-house, and is occupied by three families.

At the Essex Market Police Court, yesterday morning, JAMES GAFFNEY, of No. 307 Eleventh-street, was charged with breaking into the cigar-store of JULIUS HELBING, No. 149 Third-avenue, on Saturday night, and stealing therefrom a quantity of smoking tobacco valued at $5 50. He was held in $1,000 to answer.

The boot-blacks of this City display a peculiar preference for the sale of newspapers. No matter how busy they may be with dirty boots and shoes they drop them when the papers are out, and until their stock is sold it is a difficult matter to get your boots polished in the streets.

The New-York Sing Academic, a popular German vocal organization, composed of gentlemen and lady vocalists, were yesterday engaged in a steam-boat excursion on the Hudson, passing the day pleasantly at Dudley's Grove.

There has been received at the German General Consulate, since last accounts, the sum of $488 07 for the benefit of the German wounded, and the widows and orphans of deceased German soldiers, making a total of $823,458 91.

WM. O'CONNOR, aged seven years, was sent to the Catholic Protectory by Alderman PLUNKETT yesterday, for snatching a pocket-book, containing $11 25, from the hand of ELIZABETH TUZE, of No. 407 West Thirty-fifth-street.

MARY GRIFFEN, a servant in the family of A. P. SMITH, at Fort Washington, attempted to commit suicide yesterday morning by drowning in the North River at One Hundred and Seventy-fifth-street, but was rescued.

The members of the Liederkranz Society, yesterday, after a ramble in the Central Park, met at the Boulevard Club-house, in One Hundred and Third-street, where several hours were spent in social pastimes.

Base-ball is losing much of its interest in this section. The displays of the past two years, with their concomitants of gain being in the shape of bets and rowdyism, has conduced much toward this result.

The Eleventh-avenue sewers near Twenty-sixth-street have become unservicable, owing to constant overflows from the river, and are now being cleaned, and further excavated by steam machinery.

The German United Cabinet-makers, one of the strongest German trade unions in this City, will hold their annual picnic at Jones' Wood today, for which extensive preparations have been made.

The old engine-house at No. 28 Ann-street has begun to crumble. Portions of the building which have actually fallen out on the sidewalk show that the ancient shells are in a most unsafe condition.

The Mozart Maennerchor, a thriving German vocal organization, yesterday made an excursion on the *Virginia Seymour* to Excelsior Park, on the Hudson River. It was a delightful affair.

GOELAS BLOCK, aged thirty, was severely burned, yesterday morning, while asleep at No. 79 Thompson-street, his bed taking fire from a candle he had left burning.

WILLIAM BEALE was committed yesterday by Justice SCOTT on a charge of striking JOHN ARGOOD, of No. 83 Warren-street, and severely injuring him.

HENRIETTA SOPHY VAN RODEN was found in Avenue A, yesterday, wandering about in a state of insanity, and was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

CASIMIER SCHUDERICK yesterday stabbed JOSEPH JASKINSKI four times in the right hand with a clasp-knife, at No. 211 Division-street, and was arrested.

BROOKLYN.

CHRISTIAN RIEDEL, a German carpenter, was arrested on Saturday night charged with having, on the 17th inst., caused the death of HENRY DOBSON, at the foot of South Third-street, by carelessly permitting a piece of lumber to fall on his head from a shed, in which he (RIEDEL) was at work.

JOHN COONEY and PATRICK MCGINN, on Saturday night, while on a drunken spree, visited Mr. JOHN LOGAN, in Skillman-street, Williamsburg, and clubbed his head in a shocking manner, leaving him in a dying condition. The assailants were arrested, and await the result of LOGAN's injuries.

FRANK ENGEL, eight years of age, was dangerously wounded on the head by being kicked by a horse, while playing yesterday in some empty lots on Maspeth-avenue.

JAMES SMITH'S two-story frame residence, at No. 233 Franklin-avenue, was damaged to the extent of $1,000 by fire yesterday morning. Cause unknown. No insurance.

The premises of MELCHOR NICOLAS, No. 277 Columbia-street, were entered by thieves yesterday morning and robbed of $150 worth of clothing.

LONG ISLAND.

OLIVER CHARLICK, the recent purchaser of the Bowne estate, near Broadway Station, in Flushing, has directed his surveyor to lay out a park, containing thirty acres, which will be presented to the village.

The Queens County Agricultural Society will hold its thirteenth annual exhibition at the Mineola Fair-Grounds, at Mineola, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Sept. 27, 28 and 29.

The Patchogue express-train on the Southside Railroad, which left New-York on Saturday afternoon at 3½ P. M., consisted of nineteen cars and three powerful engines.

The next Convention of the Suffolk County Temperance Society will be held at the Methodist Church at Southold to-morrow.

To-morrow the Huntington Clam-bake Association will hold their annual clam-bake and excursion at Bouton's Point.

JAMES HOWARD, the man who committed hari-kari at College Point Tuesday, died Friday at his residence.

A colored camp-meeting is to be held in JOSHUA WRIGHT'S grove, at Glen Cove, on Sept. 1.

STATEN ISLAND.

MICHAEL MCCARTY, of Clifton, was arrested, on Saturday, by P. CROWLEY, agent of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Society, for driving a worn-out horse, lame on three legs. The poor beast was struggling along with a milk-wan, and evidently suffering great pain. Judge CORBET committed MCCARTY for trial under bail of $500.

Yesterday a passenger by the steamer *Lexington*, named M. ROSENFELD, died suddenly while coming up the Bay. The body was brought on shore at the Upper Quarantine, where an inquest was held.

M. JONES, of Stapleton, was fined $5, by Judge CORBET, on Saturday, for driving a horse with a large running sore under the saddle.

Yesterday there were two steam-ships and thirteen square-rigged vessels at anchor at the Upper Quarantine grounds.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

The murderer, BUCKHOUT, at present in the prison at White Plains, awaiting the execution of the death sentence, manifests the most callous indifference in regard to his fate. He speaks in a very nonchalant manner of the bloody tragedy, and appears always ready and willing to converse upon the horrible subject. No hope of a respite is entertained by the condemned man's friends.

Near White Plains there is an agricultural wonder in a peach tree, which is only three inches in circumference, three years old, and bears a full bushel of peaches.

NEW-JERSEY.

The Tuckerton Railroad, twenty-eight miles in length, will be finished next month. The capital of the Company is $200,000. The road will connect Barnegat with Tuckerton.

Extensive preparations are being made in New-Jersey to celebrate the centennial of Sir WALTER SCOTT to-morrow at Hoboken. The celebration is to be very diversified, and will attract large numbers.

More than 40,000 New-Yorkers visited the Elysian Fields at Hoboken yesterday. All the ill-doers who came into the cells of the Police Station were but two drunken Fire Ward roughs.

Col. JOHN G. STEVENS has been elected President of the Cape May and Millville Railroad; Mr. GEORGE J. ROBBINS is re-elected Secretary, and B. F. Lee Treasurer.

JOHN HICKEY, residing at Windsor, Camden County, while in an intoxicated state on Saturday, was killed by being run over by a train of freight-cars.

ISABEL MOORE, a colored woman, living at Belvidere, was 101 years old on the 10th inst.

Small-pox is spreading rapidly in Trenton.

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